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HAYNES DISCHARGED.

ILLEGAL PRACTICE AS SOLICITOR ALLEGED.

LAW SOCIETY PROSECUTE.

Case Against C. M. Houghton Continued To-day.

CHARGES ARISE OUT OF LETTERS FROM QUEEN'S ROAD OFFICE.

Mr. L. E. Haynes and Mr. C. M. Houghton were the defendants in a Police court case heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning in which the case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. H. D. Blake on behalf of the Hong Kong Law Society.

The charge against each defendant was that "directly or indirectly, he practised or acted as a solicitor not having been admitted and enrolled, contrary to Section 1 of the Legal Practitioners' Ordinance of 1871."

As evidence of an interpreter who was alleged to have been present at an interview could not be given, the case against Haynes was withdrawn. That against Houghton continues this afternoon.

CIVIL ACTION FORESHADOWED.

There were two summonses against Houghton and one against Haynes, all three being of the same content but referring to different defendants.

Mr. A. el Arculli was present in Court.

Defendants were represented in person.

In reply to His Worship, Mr. el Arculli stated that he was watching the case for one of the complainants. The same set of facts arose out of an action in the civil court.

Mr. Haynes asked to take his place at the table usually reserved for solicitors and his request was granted.

Mr. Blake agreed with His Worship that from the point of view of the prosecution the three cases could be taken together.

Mr. Haynes agreed to this procedure, stating that he preferred it.

Mr. Houghton had no objection.

Both defendants pleaded not guilty.

The H.K. Law Society.

Mr. Blake, in opening the case for the prosecution, stated that the proceedings were instituted under Section 27 sub-Section 1 of the Legal Practitioners' Ordinance of 1871.

With the consent of the defendants, alterations were made in the dates on which it is alleged the breaches of the law were made.

Continuing, Mr. Blake said that the Ordinance in question laid down that any person who either directly or indirectly practised or acted as a solicitor without having been admitted and enrolled as such or as a notary public without having been duly registered should, upon summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

Proceedings, continued Mr. Blake, were instituted by the Hong Kong Law Society, the complainants having issued summonses at the request of the Law Society.

The Hong Kong Ordinance differed from the law in England in that proceedings at Home on similar actions were under Section 12 of the Attorney and Solicitors' Act of 1874. This stated that any person who wilfully and falsely pretended to be, or who used any name, title or description implying that he was duly qualified to act as a solicitor should be guilty of an offence.

The difference, continued Mr. Blake, was that at Home, in order to obtain a conviction, it must be proved that the defendant pretended to act as a solicitor. In Hong Kong it was only necessary to show that an unqualified person either practised or acted as a solicitor.

His Worship: The Home law, in fact, is much more precise.

The Complaints.

Mr. Blake: The Hong Kong law gives a much wider scope. It is my intention, however, to cite cases at Home which I think will assist Your Worship in this case.

Continuing, Mr. Blake said that the first complaints, those against Houghton, were in respect of two letters written by him and addressed from the office of the South China Trade Protection Association. The first was dated

January 18 and was addressed to Pang Chau, ex-managing partner of the Chau On Motor Transportation Company and ran as follows:

"Our client, Mr. Chung Kim, has submitted to us the account books written up by you for the purpose of auditing. Unless you interview us at 4 p.m. to-morrow and make any necessary adjustments, we are instructed to take criminal proceedings against you without further notice."

"We are, etc." (signed C. M. Houghton, accountant).

Different Heading.
 The other letter, continued Mr. Blake, was dated January 20 and was written on different headed notepaper, the heading "C. M. Houghton & Co." It was written to Mr. Ng Chak-lam, of the company department of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company. The contents were as follows:

"We have been consulted by Mr. Tong Yuk-kee regarding \$216, balance outstanding in connection with a promissory note for \$320, drawn by you in favour of Mr. Tong. Our instructions are to demand immediate payment of this sum and institute legal proceedings against you in the event of non-payment or of the amount being disputed in any way, you are requested to call upon our Secretary before noon on Friday next, January 27, otherwise a writ will be issued against you for recovery of the amount with costs." South China Trade Protection Association, Signed C. M. Houghton per pro C. M. Houghton & Company.

Handed to Solicitor.
 With regard to the letter to Mr. Ng Chak-lam, the latter took no further notice except that he handed it to his solicitors and from them it came to the Law Society. It was not proposed, after proof of receipt of the letter, to proceed further in regard to that letter. As regards the letter to Pang Chau, he was a different state of affairs. He received the letter threatening criminal proceedings and went to the offices of the South China Trade Protection Association, having two interviews.

Evidence would be given as to those interviews and this, submitted Mr. Blake, as well as that of the two letters, would show undoubtedly that Haynes and Houghton were practising and acting as solicitors.

His Worship asked in what way Mr. Haynes was stated to be concerned in the case.

Haynes at Interview?

Mr. Blake stated that Mr. Haynes was at one of the interviews, the second one. He spoke through an interpreter and said that unless the demand was met he would have to take criminal proceedings. He further produced a book and, reading an extract from it, stated "There you are, you see I can take criminal proceedings."

This in itself, claimed Mr. Blake, was sufficient evidence that Haynes had been acting as a solicitor, but there was also further evidence which he would produce.

Evidence was then given by Mr. Ng Chak-lam as to the receipt of the letter mentioned.

As this concerned the defendant Houghton, the latter was asked if he had any question to ask.

"Spokesman" For Defence.

Houghton: Mr. Haynes is supposed to be spokesman, since the three cases have been made into one.

His Worship: This alone concerns the case against you.

Houghton then intimated that he

TOO POOR TO FIGHT.

Yunnanese Mercenaries & Canton.

OPPOSITION TO NANKING.

Fears At Waichow: Military Transfers.

The commander-in-chief of the Yunnanese mercenaries garrisoned along Kwangtung's northern frontier, 150 to 200 miles north of Canton, are practically maintaining that they are "too poor to fight." Following their uncompromising attitude when the Hunanese column (supporting Chiang Kai-shek and Nanking) invaded Kwangtung, the Yunnanese demanded a loan of \$50,000 from the merchants of Shuiukwan, the district town and railway terminus 150 miles from Canton. As they have not paid, the Yunnanese still show no disposition to fight but the commander-in-chief is afraid to go to Canton to discuss matters. General Li Chai-sum is believed to have expressed distrust for the Yunnanese who acknowledge his rule but do not obey him.

Moves by Both Sides.
 Meanwhile Chiang Kai-shek is trying to rally, from a long distance, the Hunanese hordes in the south of Hunan, close to the Kwangtung frontier. He is quoted by the "Kung Sheng Yat Po" as having ordered General Lung Yen of Yunnan (in the south-west of China) to join hands with the Hunanese for an invasion of Kwangsi province which is at present held by friends of the Canton Government.

Other allies of Canton, who are fighting the Hunanese in Hunan, are waiting for General Li Chai-sum to join them in a denunciation of Chiang Kai-shek. Two independent divisions from Ichang, on the upper Yangtze, have been ordered by these allies to join the push against the Hunanese.

Troops Back at Capital.
 Concern is being felt in Waichow, a city on the East River, about 60 miles east of Canton city and 20 miles from the Canton-Kowloon Railway, but the drainage of troops from that area for service elsewhere.

It now seems definite that the Canton Government is transferring units from up-country back to Canton, possibly for service along the northern frontier. One brigade and two battalions of infantrymen, under the "governor of Swatow," arrived at Canton on warships and have been posted along the Canton-Shuiukwan Railway. A reserve brigade from the West River delta is also back at the capital.

(Note: A brigade has three battalions, each of 300 to 400 men.)

had no question to ask but requested that His Worship should not give judgment until he had heard evidence on all three cases.

His Worship stated that he had not the slightest intention of giving judgment until he had heard the whole case and the authorities cited.

Evidence was then given by Mr. Pang Chau, managing partner of the Chau On Motor Transportation Company, of 13 Praya East. Witness stated that he received the letter quoted on January 18. He could not write or speak English and as he could not understand the letter he took it to a friend who explained the contents. The following day he called at the offices of the Trade Protection Association and saw Haynes at a desk. Haynes directed him to another room where he found a Chinese who was not present in Court. The witness stayed in the room for a moment and then a clerk named Shin Chau-fong came in. He claimed to be working in Mr. Hall's office (Lyson and Hall). The defendant Houghton came in. He spoke in English and said that it was impossible for him to adjust the accounts. This was interpreted to the witness by the man Shin.

By the Magistrate: The accounts referred to by Houghton related to the Chau King Garage formerly owned by the witness.

Houghton's Advice.
 Proceeding, the witness said that Houghton advised him to pay \$750 plus 20 per cent. as costs.

Houghton objected to this statement and denied that they asked the witness for 20 per cent. Mr. Lindsell said that Houghton could only object to the admissibility of the evidence on legal grounds, he could not object to a statement of fact.

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FOREIGN LOANS.

Those Secured on Salt Revenues.

WHAT NATIONALISTS SAY.

Nanking Denies "30 Per Cent." Report.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
 Mr. F. S. Chien, the chief of the Salt Administration in the Nationalist Ministry of Finance, has issued a statement that the report from Peking to the effect that "the foreign personnel of the Salt Gabelle will resume control of the salt revenue in the territory controlled by the Nationalists and that 30 per cent. of the gross revenue will be available for the service of foreign loans secured on the salt revenue" is without foundation.—Reuter.

4TH PLENARY ENDS.

Nationalist Conference Decisions.

Nanking, Yesterday.
 The fourth plenary session of the Nationalist Party ended this afternoon with important decisions, including:—

DULL WEATHER.

North-east winds, fresh, overcast, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

- 1.—Nation-wide re-registration of all members of the Kuomintang within three months.
- 2.—the third National Congress of the Kuomintang will be held on Aug. 1.
- 3.—all previous proposals and resolutions in connection with policy and the alliance with the Soviet and the Communist Party are cancelled and annulled.—Reuter.

New Foreign Minister.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
 The Nationalist Government has decided to appoint Hwang Fu as Foreign Minister, also to convene the National Assembly of the Kuomintang on August 1.—Reuter.

WU PEI-FU.

Great Chinese Soldier's Present Plight.

Peking, Yesterday.
 The fortunes of Marshal Wu



His star on the wane—Marshal Wu Pei-fu, once the strong man of China and now dependent on the favours of a former subordinate, Yang Sen, who has been pressed to disarm his bodyguard.

Pei-fu are under a darker cloud than ever, according to foreign dispatches from the upper Yangtze River, which stated that the Hankow (Nationalist) Government had urged General Yang Sen to arrest his former chief, Wu Pei-fu, and bring him a prisoner to Hankow.

Yang Sen, in view of his long friendship with Wu Pei-fu, did not agree to go so far, but as a compromise disarmed Wu Pei-fu's bodyguard on Jan. 4, since when he has been keeping him and Mrs.

NOTES DEBARRED.

Last Straw on Camel's Back.

"CANTON'S RETALIATION."

Customs Dues Must Now Be In Silver.

Canton is now "retaliating" for actions which are alleged to have stripped the Government depositary of cash reserves and a vast quantity of banknotes.

Many non-Chinese have wondered what the present Canton Government has to gain by disavowing the paper money of the Central Bank of China, the Nationalist organisation which had its origin in Canton. The reason is that several opponents of the present administration are suspected of having obtained large sums before they left Canton. An echo of the accusations is the fruitless extradition proceeding in Hong Kong against a former Bank manager.

Fortunes for Opponents.

Two military officers are stated to have seized large sums. One is supposed to have \$3,000,000 in coin and about \$5,000,000 in notes. Another is supposed to have more than \$5,000,000 in notes.

By banning the Central Bank's issue, the Canton Government is dealing a blow at its opponents, reducing the notes the latter hold to worthless paper. If the notes are still current at par, the opponents of Canton will have large sums with which they will be able to pay armies.

Latest Order.

Not many days ago, the Canton Government announced that payments of taxes by the people must be as to 80 per cent. in silver and 20 per cent. in notes. This order had the effect of knocking the bottom out of the banknote market.

Now comes a new order which has been transmitted to the authorities concerned. All payments of Customs dues, i.e., to the Chinese Maritime Customs stations in Kwangtung, must be wholly in silver. This is the proverbial last straw on the camel's back. Paper money is now almost valueless and many speculators in this currency have been "caught."

C.M.S. WINDFALLS.

\$73,300 TO WIPE OFF A DEFICIT.

LEGACY AND COMPENSATION.

London, Yesterday.
 The deficit of \$70,000 with which the Church Missionary Society closed the financial year has been wiped off by a forthcoming legacy of £40,000 and the receipt of £33,300 from the Palestine Reparations Commission for compensation in respect of property.

The Outlook in China.
 Dr. Harold Blane, former President of Shantung Christian University (China), said that the outlook is far brighter than a year ago. The Chinese Church has come well through a testing time.—Reuter.

FIRST NON-STOP.

FLIGHT FROM LONDON TO ROME.

BERT HINKLER & OTHERS.

Rome, Yesterday.
 The first non-stop flight from London to Rome has been accomplished by Bert Hinkler who is en route to Australia.

Newall and Vincent, en route to Singapore, have also arrived.—Reuter.

BERT HINKLER SETS OUT.

London, Yesterday.
 Bert Hinkler started on his long journey from Croydon at dawn.—Reuter.

[Hinkler is on a solo flight to Australia, which he hopes to reach in 18 days using a 30 horse-power Avro-Avian.]

WAR IN THE NORTH.

Peking-Kuominchun Campaign Details.

Peking, Feb. 2.
 Taming was still in the hands of the Peking forces last night though the Kuominchun's allies

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CHINA POLICY.

CHAMBERLAIN PLAN ENDORSED.

KING'S SPEECH.

What The Government Is Waiting For.

"SATISFACTORY PROTECTION OF BRITISH INTERESTS."

His Majesty the King referred to Britain's policy toward China in the course of his speech at the opening of Parliament. After observing that the position had permitted large reductions in the naval and military forces but that, unfortunately, internal troubles and civil war still caused anxiety, he said that the Government would adhere to their declaration of policy of a year ago as a basis upon which they were prepared to meet Chinese aspirations, when the Chinese could assure the satisfactory protection of British lives and property.

In the debate which followed the Royal Speech Britain's policy was supported by all parties.

THE DEBATE.

London, Yesterday.

His Majesty the King, in his speech at the opening of Parliament to-day, said:—Britain's relations with foreign Powers continue friendly and it is the constant effort of my Government with the co-operation of the League of Nations to secure a settlement of international differences and to promote the cause of peace.

I have invited the King of Afghanistan to visit me in March and look forward to welcoming His Majesty. It will be a particular pleasure to receive His Majesty on his first visit to Europe.

Britain And China.

The position in China has so far improved to permit of large reductions in the naval and military forces sent to protect British and Indian subjects in the concessions, but the internal disturbances and civil wars and the consequent insecurity of life and property, both Chinese and

foreign, still cause anxiety. Despite these discouraging circumstances my Government adhere to their declaration of policy of a year ago as the basis upon which they are prepared to meet Chinese aspirations and when the Chinese can assure satisfactory protection of British lives and property.

The United States Government, on December 29, communicated to the British Ambassador at Washington, as a basis of negotiation, the draft of a new Treaty of Arbitration to replace the Treaty of Arbitration of 1908. The draft is being carefully and sympathetically studied by my Government and will be considered in communication with my Governments in the Dominions.

Industrial Affairs.

Although the conditions of some of the principal industries continue to cause serious anxiety, I am glad to observe many encouraging signs of progressive improvement both in home and external trade, justifying the hope that with co-operation and goodwill steady progress will be made during the coming year. My Ministers are now enquiring as to the possibility of relieving industry and agriculture of the burdens in local rates, and the changes in local Government thereby involved in the proposals will be submitted, amending the Parliament and local government and franchise measures to be presented relative to national health insurance and increasing the credit facilities for agriculturists.

Labour Views.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, speaking in the debate on the address in reply to the King's Speech, condemned it as the most meagre he had ever heard. He very sincerely welcomed the reference to China and hoped the withdrawal of troops would be accelerated.

Every section of the House desired to be associated with the last part of the speech with reference to China and all sections in China ought to be made aware that Britain supported a policy which sympathised in full with self-government in China. He hoped they would co-operate for common purposes in a most friendly and wholehearted way. There should be no doubt in China that we were still anxiously awaiting the political opportunity to carry into effect the statement of our policy a year ago.

Failure of Geneva.

Mr. MacDonald said the people were not quite satisfied with the Government taking a negative waiting attitude, and suggested that the Boxer funds used now could do beneficent things for China for the country's advancement.

He said the failure of the Geneva naval conference was a warning to the Foreign Office that a policy of peace by international agreement was an affair of the Foreign Office and not the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Mr. Lloyd George welcomed the Government policy as regards China.

Mr. Baldwin hoped that Messrs. MacDonald and Lloyd George's endorsement of the China policy would make it a national one and that it would be so recognised throughout the world.—Reuter.

THOS. COOK & SON.

FUSION WITH WAGON LIT COMPANY.

CORPORATE BODIES.

London, Yesterday.
 A fusion of interests has been arranged between the famous tourist agents Thomas Cook and Son Ltd. and associated companies and the Compagnie Internationale des Wagons Lits. Some of the directors of the latter concern will join Messrs. Cooks, boards, but the Cook businesses will be carried on as corporate bodies as heretofore.—Reuter.

EXPLOSION ON SHIP.

THREE FRENCHMEN KILLED.

CARGO OF PETROL.

Hanoi, Yesterday.
 Three Frenchmen and 40 natives were killed in an explosion on a mail steamer in the Mekong River, near Thakneh, believed due to spontaneous combustion of a cargo of petrol.

A number of native passengers have been sent to hospital and the dead include two important French officials and an ex-Deputy.—Reuter.

LABOUR HOURS.

FRANCE'S ATTITUDE TOWARD CONVENTION.

Paris, Yesterday.
 The Government has decided to oppose any proposal to revise the Washington Eight-hour Day Convention. The Government maintains the attitude taken up on the occasion of the ratification of the Convention by the French Parliament, namely that France's acceptance is conditional on Britain and Germany ratifying the Convention.—Reuter.

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Hong Kong, Feb. 6, 1928.

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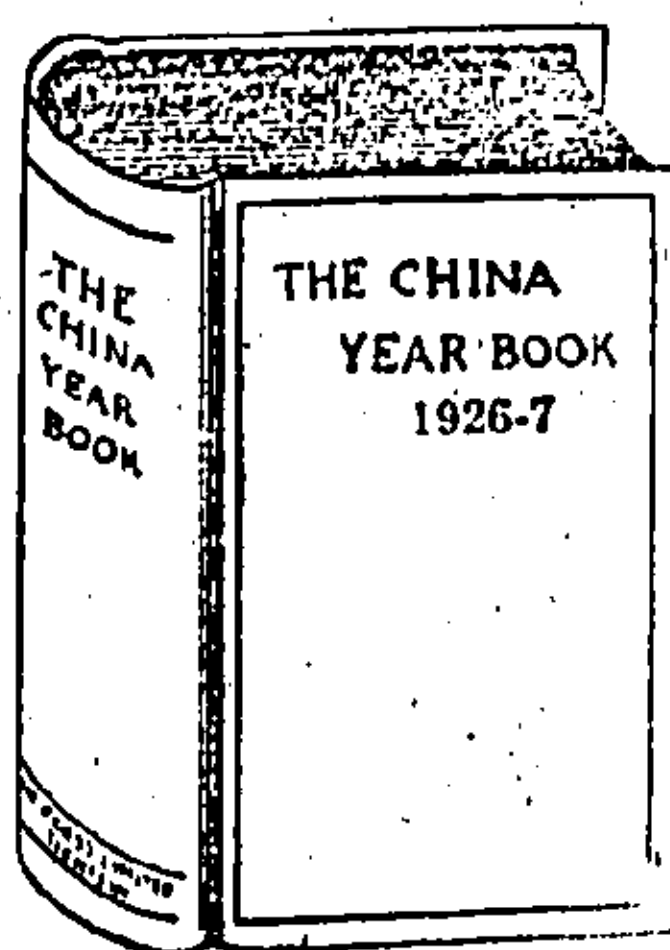
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J. S. GIBSON,

Architect & Surveyor.

Hong Kong, Feb. 4, 1928.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY. ENTRIES will CLOSE at 1 p.m. on MONDAY, 13th FEBRUARY. Schedules may be obtained on application from the Secretaries, c/o Bradley & Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 7th February, 1928.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Hong Kong Tramways, Limited, will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 27th day of February, 1928, at 12 o'clock noon to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 13th to MONDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1928, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 4th February, 1928.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those members who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before SATURDAY, 11th February, 1928, at a cost of \$10 each per day or \$30 for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge. On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$8 per day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers' and Sailors' in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1 per day.

Admission by ticket only.

Bookmakers, Tie-Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th January, 1928.

NOTICES.

NAVY LEAGUE.

(Hong Kong Branch.)

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Navy League will be held on WEDNESDAY, 8th February, at 5.30 p.m. in the Board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission).

All members are cordially invited to attend.

L. M. WHYTE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, Feb. 6, 1928.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 9th February, 1928 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 1st February to FRIDAY, 10th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hong Kong, 25th January, 1928.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Vaux Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 18th February, 1928, at 3.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 11th February to SATURDAY, 18th February, 1928, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1928.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th February to SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1928 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

A. C. HYNES,

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 6th February, 1928.

MODERN GIRLS.

NO MORE MATINEE IDOLS FOR THE FLAPPER!

THEIR TALK.

Those who fear that in this country power and influence are gradually slipping from the hands of men into those of women, and that there is a clear prospect before us of a matriarchy, may have their apprehensions fostered if they give ear to the general conversations of girls and women nowadays.

Let them listen—not rudely, of course—to the talk of our sisters and aunts among themselves and note the topics which come to the front.

They are always other girls and other women—what they have done or are about to accomplish. Women always did discuss each other, but never to the extent which obtains nowadays.

The girl in the Tube, the girl on the bus, the girl on the suburban road, is always talking over some other girl.

In those Victorian days which we are always assured were so prim and proper, girls talked quite freely about men. They discussed their clothes, their moustaches and whiskers, the way in which they played cricket or croquet, and their methods of rendering those drawing-room ballads of which every cultured man was supposed to have a stock.

Nowadays man, poor man, is practically ignored.

The word "she" recurs constantly in the chatter of girls and women, as a little observation will readily show. "He" is hardly ever mentioned! In the bus going home after shopping or business the constant repetition of the monosyllable "she—she—she—she—she" makes an effect like the sea breaking on a sandy beach.

Business girls talk about other girls in the same office, working girls about the fore-women; and, above all, if any woman, actress, explorer or Channel swimmer is prominently in the news, the amount of heroine-worship that goes on among her own sex is almost incredible.

Fifteen years ago girls used to buy frames for their favourite heroes' photographs, and liked to gaze upon the sunburned features of Lord Kitchener or Bertram Wallis or Santos-Dumont. Nowadays the frames in question are more likely to be occupied by photographs of heroines.

In days gone by young men used to cluster round the stage door to cast a worshipping glance on the popular actress of the day. This is a thing of the past. The leading lady is now waited for by throngs of admiring women.

We are forced to the melancholy conclusion that in the thoughts of the modern woman her own sex occupies a more prominent position than ever before. A confirmation of this is seen in the trend of entertaining, "Hen parties," so popular in the States, are becoming equally so in Britain. Women seem to enjoy thoroughly a manless luncheon—a function which their mothers or grandmothers would have regarded with horror.

What will be the end of it all, no one can say. I can only record the facts which force themselves upon the observation.

An 18-years-old packer who was bound over at the Guildhall for theft was said to be married with two children but separated from his wife.

LONG STRUGGLE.

YUNNAN PLANES BOMB REBELS.

FIGHT FOR A TOWN.

Yunnanfu, Jan. 20. The struggle for power in this province continues unabated. The city of Katsing is considered to be a key-point and the fight for possession of the town is still going on. Katsing is held by the rebels against the Yunnan Government. The position is a strong one as there is a hill at the back of the town which enables the garrison to shell with ease any attacking force while the besiegers must obtain possession of the hill before they can get control of the city.

Situation Relieved.

This has been the situation up to the present, but two new aeroplanes have just arrived which will enable the Government troops to bomb the rebels effectively, thus bringing about a big change in the situation. The city is supposed to be surrounded at the present time, but the cordon is by no means perfect. Invading troops from Kweichow province have been defeated at Kiangsi, on the border, by General Li and General Chang. This has somewhat relieved the local situation.

Some time ago the southern part of the province declared its independence and entered into an alliance with Tang San, a cousin of the late Governor. The Southerners are reported to be preparing to advance on Yunnanfu and the local officials are taking every precaution against such an attack.

French Merchant Murdered.

Recently a French rice merchant, M. Cavalleris, formerly a priest, was robbed and murdered. The French Consul put in a strong protest, demanding an inquiry and the punishment of the guilty, stating that he wished to be present at the execution of the murderers when they had been caught.

The result was that a note was sent to the French Consul saying that the offenders had been arrested, three had been shot and five sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. Obviously the whole matter had been arranged in the usual manner, the actual result being that there are three beggars less on the streets and the real culprits go free.

Brigandage Rife.

Brigandage is rife at Tung-hai and Ho-si, south of the lakes. The mayor of the latter town has been killed.

A report is being circulated that the fighting in the province will come to an end in three weeks' time. In the meantime the Fui-Tien Bank is turning out \$1,000,000 worth of notes each month to meet the expenditure. It is alleged that these notes have no silver reserve.

FOOTBALL GROUND ARREST.

A Nottingham Stockbroker's Affairs.

During the Notts County-Hull City football match, detectives entered the crowd in front of the main stand and arrested a Nottingham stockbroker, whose firm recently failed for over £30,000.

The man was arrested on a warrant granted to the Official Receiver for the alleged fraudulent conversion of a sum estimated at about £500.

"SWORDS FOR TWO."

MAGISTRATE AND "MODEST" DUELLIST.

A CHRISTMAS DAY DUEL.

Three months in the second division was the sentence passed at Marylebone on Henry William English (63), of Haver Street, Notting Dale, the man who claimed an extraordinarily adventurous career as soldier, oil speculator, native labour organiser in Africa, and official umpire at Wimbledon and other well-known tennis tournaments.

English, who wore a gold-rimmed monocle on a silk ribbon, was accused of stealing and receiving £15 worth of furniture, etc., belonging to Miss Mary Anderson, aged 84, who is nearly blind, of Cornwall Road, Baywater.

English has outlined more of his alleged adventures and told the court that on Christmas Day, 1902, he fought a duel in Madagascar with a Portuguese officer.

The Magistrate (Mr. Bingley).—Did you kill your antagonist? It is clear you were not killed.

English (dramatically).—Well, sir, he died.

The Magistrate.—Swords for two, coffin for one?—Yes, sir.

Mr. Bingley said he was convinced that English's story of restitution with money he expected from New Zealand was "all moonshine."

CANADA & EMPIRE.

DECISION NECESSARY.

Vancouver, Jan. 4. Addressing the Canadian Club here to-day, the Leader of the Conservative Party (Mr. Bennett) emphasized the necessity for Canada to make a decision as to whether its strength economically was cast within or without the Empire.

"We must decide in the next few years," he said, "if we are to combine with the other parts of the Empire or with economic interests elsewhere. It is either economic unions within the Empire or with our cousins to the south."



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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
ANYO MARU Thursday, 15th March.

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KAWACHI MARU Wednesday, 29th February.

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During 1927 this company handled a grand total of 501,612 revenue tons, comprising inward and outward cargo into Manila alone.

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SHIP BUFFETED.

Three Deaths.

Havre, Jan. 6.
The sailing ship "General de Sonis," experienced a terrible voyage in icy storms in its run from Jamaica. The captain and two of the crew died from exposure, and the ship took 86 days to reach North Florida. Its usual time from Jamaica is 5 days.

APPOINTED TO "HAWKINS"

Com. G. C. Muirhead-Gould, D.S.C., has been appointed to H.M.S. "Hawkins" as staff officer (operations) on the staff of Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt. Com. Muirhead-Gould formerly commanded the sloop "Bluebell" in China. He became a lieutenant in Dec. 1910, and during the first months of the War was in H.M.S. "Defence." Grand Fleet. In Jan. 1916 he was appointed for special service with the Army, and was mentioned in Lord French's dispatches of May 31, 1915. He returned to naval duty in December, following as Flag Lt. to Rear-Admiral A. L. Duff, in the battleship "Emperor of India," and in March, 1917, became Flag Lt. to Commodore C. F. Lambert, in the "Birmingham." He was promoted to Commander on June 1924, after being second-in-command of the cruiser "Cairo."

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

To-day, the arrivals of vessels, recorded at the Harbour Office are as follows:—9 British vessels; 3 Japanese and 3 Chinese vessels; 1 American vessel; 1 Dutch vessel; 2 Danish vessels; 1 Norwegian vessel; 1 German vessel.

The cargo imported to Hong Kong by the above ships, from various ports, altogether total 22,460 tons most of which is general cargo. The through Hong Kong cargo (tonnage amounts to 15,824 tons. Of these above figures the highest imported cargo for Hong Kong is per s.s. "Tulthibius" from Tacoma, Mike—B. & S.—8,107 tons general cargo; and the through cargo, the distinction goes to Swaine and Hoyt S.S. Co., by s.s. "West Farallon" from San Francisco, Amoy—5,870 tons general (through).

The passenger list for to-day is as follows:—Asiatic deck passengers, 2,445; Asiatic deck cabin passengers, 300; European cabin passengers 42; total 2,877.

Departures.

For Shanghai:—Kashmir Maru, Glenapp, Hupph, Nagato Maru, Philoctetes.

For Swatow:—Helios, Kwai Sang, Haining, Shinglam, Daviken.

For Macao:—Tak Hing.

For Moji:—Tunda.

For Canton:—Linn.

For Amoy:—Tak Hing.

For K. C. Wan:—Tai Poo Sek.

Clearances.

For Shanghai:—Pres. Madison.

For Bangkok:—Sumida Maru.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In
British	9	9	20
Japanese	3	4	5
Norwegian	1	3	7
Chinese	3	2	17
Danish	2	0	3
Dutch	1	0	6
French	0	1	0
German	0	1	1
American	1	0	2
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	2
	20	20	74

MOTOR SHIPS.

PREFERRED FOR LINERS TO THE EAST?

It is a significant commentary upon Lord Inchcape's statement to P. & O. shareholders that practically all the other owners of passenger liners trading to the East prefer motor ships, says the "Motor Ship" for January. The Bibby Line has two in service and, as a result of their performance, has ordered a third. The Netherlands Steamship Co. has one in operation, a second, larger vessel ready for commission this month, and will build a third still bigger ship, practically equal in size and power to the new P. and O. steam liner. The Rotterdam Lloyd Co. has one motor passenger vessel in service, a second on order and is to build two more. It can scarcely be conceived that all of these companies are making, and perpetuating, the same mistake.

WARSHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following war vessels are given as lying at berth in Hong Kong harbour:—North Wall Basin, Ambrose; South Wall Basin, Petrel, Gannet, Cicula, Nessus, Tern; East Wall Basin, L5, L9; North Arm, Titania, L1, L2, L3, L7, L8, L20, L15, L33; West Wall Dock, Caralis, Hollyhock; In Dock, Herald, L4, L27; No. 1 Buoy, Argus; No. 4 Buoy, Sepoy; No. 7 Buoy, Sterling; No. 8 Buoy, Magdala; No. 10 Buoy, Seraph, Thracian; No. 11 Buoy, Somme; No. 12 Buoy, Serapis, Sirdar; No. 13 Buoy, Bruce; No. 18 Buoy, Ruthenia, Kharki; No. 20 Buoy, Fortol, Belghard.

Foreign Men-of-War.

Portuguese, Pero De Alenquer; U.S.S. Asheville; French, Argus; Japanese, Cruiser Kasuga.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. R. E. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$25 on the Captain of the s.s. "Yuet On," a Chinese vessel plying to Canton, for allowing three cases of wine to be removed from the ship on January 5 without a permit. The Captain's defence at a previous hearing of the case was that he had nothing to do with the ship's cargo, this part of the business being handled by the ship's comprador. In fining the defendant yesterday, the Magistrate said that the law puts the responsibility on the Captain.

"PRES. MADISON."

SAILED FOR SEATTLE THIS MORNING.

PASSENGERS ON BOARD.

The American Mail Line "President Madison" sailed from Hong Kong at 9 a.m. to-day en route to Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan, with a capacity list of first-class passengers and a large number of steerage of the total of 134 first-class passengers, 105 are from Hong Kong, and of the total of 236 steerage, 196 are from this port.

Among the passengers were:—Mr. P. A. Cox, General Agent of the Canadian Pacific S.S. Ltd., Shanghai.

Mr. and Mrs. Li Ming, on a business trip to Shanghai. Mr. Li Ming is prominent in Chinese banking circles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Eden, for Seattle. Mr. Eden is a well-known business man and has been on a pleasure and business trip to the East.

Dr. R. H. Marten, a London physician, on a tour round-the-world, accompanied by his brother, Mr. H. Marten, who is a retired civil engineer of London.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Albers, prominent Dutch residents of Batavia, travelling home to Holland via America.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The American Mail Line "President Madison" sailed for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama to-day at 9 a.m.

The B. I. & Apear Line s.s. "Tilawa" left Singapore for this port on February 3, and is due here to-morrow.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" R/W Cruise, arrived at Manila yesterday at 6 a.m. leaves Manila to-day at 7 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on February 10 at 8 a.m. She will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R.) will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at 9 a.m. on February 15.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on February 4, and is due here on February 28.

The M.V. s.s. "Sumatra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Hamburg on January 27, and is due here on or about March 10.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "General Metzinger" are advised to send in claims to the Agent before February 9.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Yangtze" are reminded to send in claims to the Agent before February 10.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Bennider" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after February 18.

To Tai, master of a trading junk of Chau Chun, was charged with attempting to leave the port without a proper clearance permit and pleading guilty, was fined \$25, with the alternative of three weeks' imprisonment.

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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Apr. 18	Apr. 21	Apr. 24	Apr. 27	May 6
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	May 8	May 12	May 15	May 18	May 27
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 30	June 2	June 5	June 8	June 17
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MONTEVIDEO MARUFriday, 10th February.

HAWAII MARUSaturday, 24th March.

ROMBAI—Via Singapore and Colombo.

SHINGO MARUThursday, 9th February.

SHINNOH MARU (Calls on Penang) Sunday, 19th February.

CELEBES MARU (Calls on Karachi) Monday, 5th March.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

PANAMA MARUFriday, 2nd March.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

KASADO MARUSaturday, 25th February.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports.

ARABIA MARU (From Shanghai) Tuesday, 7th February.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.

MENADO MARUTuesday, 14th February, 10 a.m.

TAIKWA MARUTuesday, 28th Feb. 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

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ALASKA MARUSaturday, 11th February.

BATAVIA MARUWednesday, 22nd February.

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MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles & London
TALPORE	5,273	7th Mar.	Straits & Bombay
KASHMIR	9,135	14th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARNATA	9,065	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MANTUA	10,946	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MONGOLIA	16,504	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London
INAGPORE	5,283	21st Apr.	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,065	28th Apr.	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	12th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
JEPPORE	6,318	19th May	Marseilles & London
MALWA	10,986	26th May	Marseilles & London
DEVANHA	8,155	9th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NOVARA	6,989	16th June	Marseilles & London
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TANPA	8,056	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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Passengers arrived at Hong Kong from Australian ports on the s.s. "Change" on February 7 were:—

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. and the Misses M. and L. Chisholm, Mr. E. Marton, Dr. R. H. Marton, Mr. H. and Master J. Blum, Messrs. H. W. Brainerd, H. J. Timperley, Mrs. H. Maloney, Miss L. Gurnock, Miss N. Sinclair, Messrs. W. C. B. Hall, M. Manuk, J. H. Peterson, S. Hyden, Miss E. Linley, Messrs. H. J. Wingrave, D. Lyon, L. Matthew, E. Ellis, Miss J. B. and the Misses (3) McCaw, Miss D. Packer, Messrs. J. Francis, V. Gup, Callien, M. Lucien, Anoutchkin, and M. Meires.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong by the N.Y.K. s.s. "Kashima Maru" from London via Singapore on Feb. 6 included:—

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DEPARTURES.

Passengers sailed for Japan via Shanghai by the N.Y.K. "Kashima Maru" on Feb. 7 were: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Air, Mr. N. Watanabe, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Reader, Lt. Com. Nakamura, Commander Ho, Mr. B. Wilkinson, Capt. N. Hori, Mr. H. Watsuji, Mr. S. Fuchigami, Mr. K. Kubota, Mrs. M. Clarke, H.E. Count Y. Yanigisawa, Mr. T. Ohata, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Mauchan, Mrs. S. Keller, Miss F. Burnham, Mr. M. Dorian, Mr. Chow Sang, Mr. Li Young, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. H. E. Greenfield, Mr. R. K. Koh, Mr. M. Hobara, Mr. C. C. Whitehead, Mr. J. M. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Boundy, Lt. Col. Y. Isogaya, Mr. G. A. Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Mather and the Misses C. A. M. and P. Mather, Miss V. C. Man-jett, Mrs. W. N. Hartshorn, Mrs. J. L. Dearing, Miss Y. Kobayashi, Mr. and Mrs. K. Minetomo, Mrs. M. Yamada, Mrs. Y. Miyatani, Mr. L. Katzevich, Rev. E. Faust, Mr. Pigueros, Miss E. R. Murray, Miss I. Torbet, Miss B. Butler, Miss B. Francis, Mr. C. Stolz, Mrs. V. MacDougall, Miss B. McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. W. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Matthews.

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Loung Fat-tai, the mistress of a trading junk, of Tai Ping, was charged with a similar offence in respect of 850 tins of kerosene, and pleaded guilty; was similarly fined, and given the alternative of two months' imprisonment.

Kwok Kin, master of a trading junk of Shaukiwan, was charged with having on board, in respect of 100 tins of kerosene, and pleaded guilty, and was fined \$100, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment.

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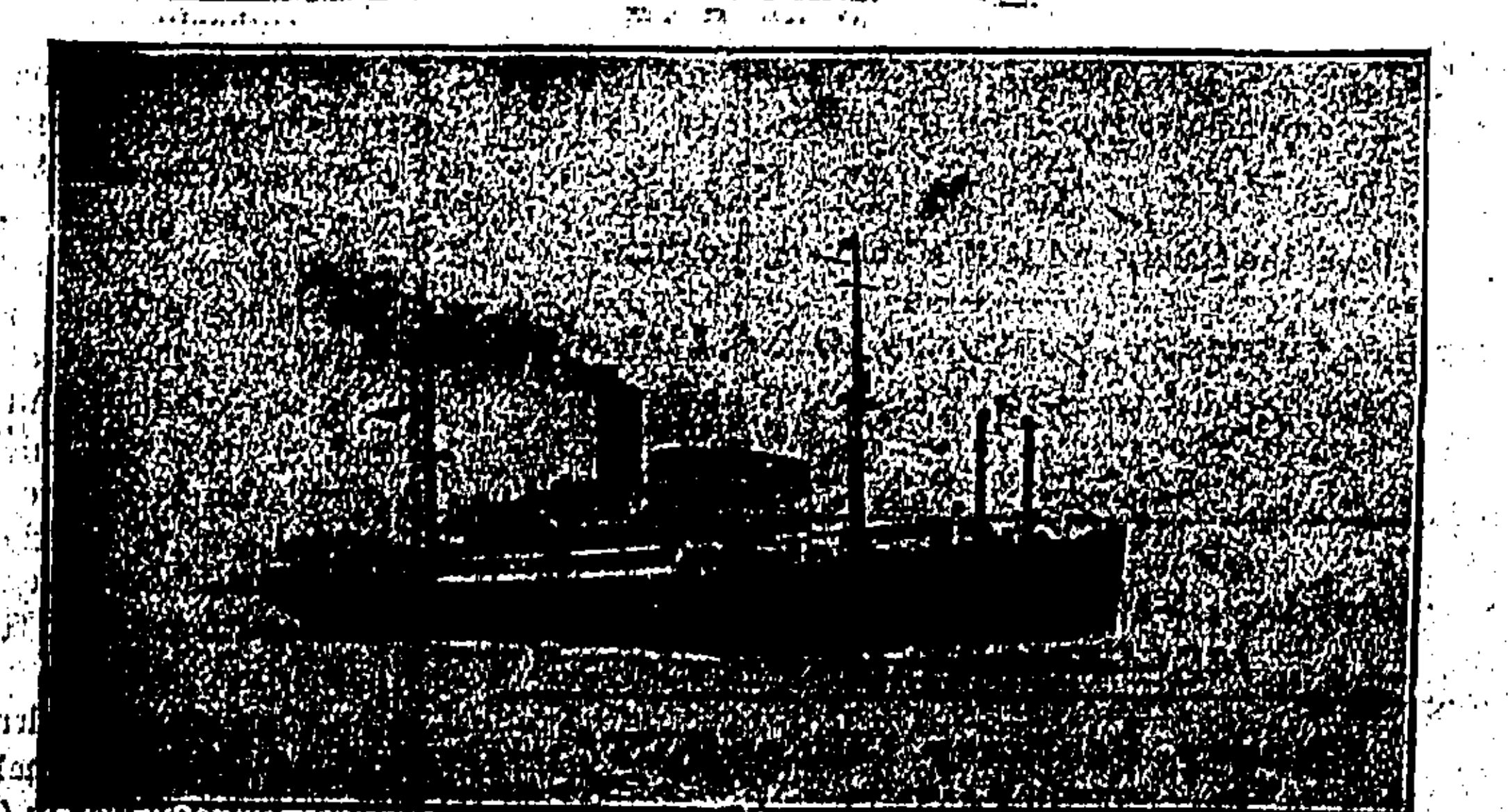
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WORDS OF CONSOLATION.

That the British Government is firmly determined to adhere to the policy toward China outlined by Sir Austen Chamberlain thirteen months ago is most forcibly emphasised in a reading of this morning's cables dealing with the debate that followed the opening of Parliament. A lot of what was said following the King's Speech was beside the point, particularly what was said by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the leader of the Opposition, regarding the acceleration of the withdrawal of troops from China and the disposal of the Boxer funds. The value of the Shanghai Defence Force has been proved and generally acknowledged and the military authorities may be relied upon to adjust withdrawals in accordance with the trend of circumstances out here. And the matter of the application of Britain's share of the Boxer indemnity is one which is now outside the sphere of party politics.

It was left to His Majesty himself to utter the only words of consolation in connection with a policy upon which the views of the China Hand in very many instances differ from those of the authorities at Home. In spite of the discouraging circumstances arising from internal disturbances and civil war in China, "my Government," said His Majesty, "adhere to their declaration of policy of a year ago as the basis upon which they are prepared to meet Chinese aspirations and when they can assure satisfactory protection of British lives and property." This statement considerably simplifies the issue, and it is the only definite pronouncement

ment we have had from authoritative sources since the Chamberlain policy was born. It shows us quite plainly that the time for the pursuit of that policy is not yet come. If Sir Austen had said, or even indicated, that the consummation of his plans depended upon the assurance of "satisfactory protection of British lives and policy" the anxiety in which we have been living for the past year would have been obviated. Instead of doing this we had the Chen-O'Malley Agreement which followed the surrender of Hankow; we had the evacuation of Kiukiang, and we had the rape of Nanking.

However, since the arrival of the Shanghai Defence Force conditions of living for Britons in China have fallen into more restful channels. Every "Tommy," as was instanced at one of the Duncan farewell functions in Shanghai, has proved himself a diplomat, and a diplomat of the kind that gets results. Most fears of further personal violence were dissipated immediately the Force began to arrive. And now we have His Majesty's assurance which must carry great weight on the political side of things. Now we know that the Yangtze and other Treaty Ports will not be tamely handed over to any gang of militarists that has the cheek to demand them. Now we know that the model Concession of Tientsin is safe from ignominious surrender. In the main we must support the spirit that brought the Chamberlain policy into being, and we do so with greater confidence now that we know we are not going to be rushed into a position which would completely nullify Britain's work in China.

TWO DROWNED.

JUNK CAPSIZES IN A SQUALL

According to a report made to the police by Chan Choi, master of cargo boat No. 828-V of 800-piut capacity, and carrying a crew of three men, one woman and two children, the junk was capsized in a squall and two people were drowned.

It appeared that the junk was on a voyage from Colowan, near Macao to Hong Kong with a cargo of lime on January 4, when a gale sprang up at about 10.30 p.m., and the junk was capsized, off Kaitiuehau Island. All the people in the junk were thrown into the water. Some managed to keep afloat by hanging on to wooden planks taken from the junk. After they had been in the water for about half an hour, trading junk No. T-5007-E came on the scene and picked up the people floating in the sea. It was then discovered that two of the crew were missing. The rescued people remained in the rescuing junk for two days when they were landed and immediately made their way to Hong Kong, arriving here last night.

KATJA, THE DANCER.

BRIGHT AND TUNEFUL
COMEDY.

A BANVARD SUCCESS.

The Banvard London Musical Comedy Company opened their season in Hong Kong at the Theatre Royal last night with "Katja, the Dancer," which proved to be extremely musical and full of comedy. The plot is of the thinnest variety and of a kind that leaves those of us who have stayed in Shanghai and places further north absolutely unimpressed. It tells of a pair of Russians of noble birth who, thanks to the Revolution, have been compelled to earn their living as public dancers; it tells of the male member's hate of a fellow-countryman who has managed to hold on to his (and perhaps other's) estates; it tells of the female inevitably succumbing to the charms of the fortunate scion of an unfortunate race, and that is about all.

The Company, however, gave it life, and its most tuneful and most pleasant parts fall, not to Katja, the brooding dancer, but to Patricia, the lively daughter of Count Orpith, who is shown to be in love with Leander Billoroff, the Count's private secretary. These two parts, that of the daughter and the private secretary, are most capably taken by Claire Leslie and John Hagan. The former showed us last night that she has a sweet voice, is an accomplished dancer, and possesses an admirable stage presence. The latter showed us that he is a first-rate comedian, one that would be a distinct asset to any company attempting light comedy.

Winifred Dalle plays the part of Katja Karina, the dancer and, as I have indicated, gives it a broadness which throws out something of the Slavic spirit of fatalism and mystery. Opposite her is Victor Hagan, a capable supporting number but one whose enunciation was somewhat blurred and hurried, Lew Marks doubled as Simon, the servant of Prince Carl of Korujia, and as Boscarr, chief of police.

The role of Prince Carl was undertaken by William Senior, who revealed a magnificent voice and to whom fell the more serious numbers, in company with Miss Dalle. Frank Atkinson, as Count Orpith, was responsible for some excellent light acting and fooling, and was a splendid foil for John Hagan.

A colourful chorus in very pretty dresses added considerably to the brightness of the performance, which was an all-round success. By special desire the piece will be repeated to-morrow night. To-night "Queen High" will be presented.

There was last night the usual gang of ill-mannered late comers. One of these days I may publish their names. In that event, however, they may continue to come late. Some people thrive on publicity.

—H.C.

LAY LAWYERS.

A "MOST MISCONDUCTED CASE."

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

After evidence was heard in a suit for damages arising out of a motor smash-up on Peking Road in the early hours of the morning of December 22, Attorney R. G. McDonald, representing the defendant, criticised the indulgence extended to lay men in the British courts, to conduct their own defence in a haphazard manner. "It has been the most misconducted case," McDonald said, "it has over been my misfortune to defend."

The suit was one for Taela 20 damages instituted by the Taylor Garage against C. Howard, Brion, in respect of an auto smash-up on December 22. The garage claimed Taela 20 damages to the rear mudguards of their auto in consequence of alleged reckless and negligent driving on the part of Howard. Howard was represented by McDonald and T. C. Leach, assistant manager and partner of the garage, conducted his own case.

Leach's request, for adjournment to hear the testimony of a Chinese constable who was patrolling the street where the accident took place, was over-ruled. Judge King remarked that the trivial claim involved did not warrant an adjournment and said that Leach should have seen to the constable's attendance in court to-day. The claim was dismissed after evidence was taken.

Questioned by Judge King, Leach said the only eye-witness to the accident was a soldier who was an occupant of one of the cars. The soldier was out of bounds, Leach said, and disappeared shortly after the incident.

Charges Hurdled.

The Chinese chauffeur of Car No. 6740, belonging to the garage, testified that the smash-up took place at the corner of Peking and Kiangsue Roads. Howard, he said, did not sound his horn and was going at a high speed. Howard said the chauffeur was travelling at a high speed so that the collision between the car he was driving and the garage's car could not have been averted. — Evening News.

Arthur D. Webber, of Wendover Road, Eltham, was sentenced to three months' hard labour at Woolwich for stealing £215, belonging to the Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society, by which he was employed as a collector.

\$9,000 CLAIM.

JUDGE ON A "DISAGREEABLE CASE."

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

Commenting that he had better read the evidence very carefully before giving judgment in what he considered a "disagreeable" case, Sir H. C. Gollan, Chief Justice, reserved judgment in the Supreme Court yesterday in the case in which Mr. E. D. Shank sued Mr. Louie Leung for \$9,751 for architect's fees in respect of houses defendant proposed to erect in Kowloon during the building boom of 1924.

In the course of his evidence yesterday afternoon, the defendant denied having seen two certain accounts regarding fees from the plaintiff, also having been in plaintiff's office in March when an interview between the parties was stated to have taken place.

Later in the case, it was put specifically to the defendant by Mr. Alabaster (counsel for plaintiff) whether the plaintiff's witnesses who deposed to the interview had been telling lies.

Defendant: I was not there. Whether their evidence is true I cannot say.

"Playing With Court."

His Lordship, to the interpreter: Tell him not to play with the Court.

The question being repeated, defendant replied: Their evidence is not true.

Defendant stated he had been present in Court when evidence as to the above mentioned interview had been given by the plaintiff's witnesses but maintained that the interview never took place.

He had never before seen Mr. Edwards, the former employee of the plaintiff, who had deposed to having acted as interpreter.

Defendant denied having approved any of the plans submitted by plaintiff. Asked why if this were so he had done nothing to the land for a year and a half, having regard to the fact that the land was to be forfeited if nothing was done within two years, defendant said that as he had not the plans he could not do anything.

In conclusion, defendant stated in reply to Mr. Alabaster that Lam, the former employee of the plaintiff's, who was alleged to have handed him (the defendant) the revised plans, was in his (defendant's) employ as secretary.

Lam's Evidence.

This witness, Lam Ming-fan, gave evidence as to having taken to the plaintiff a set of "Sun Print" drawings in January, 1925, whilst he (witness) was in the employ of the plaintiff. The defendant immediately said they were not his plans so witness returned them to the office and told Mr. Turner about it.

Mr. Turner said that the defendant had approved a sketch and the drawings were done on the approved sketch. The draughtsmen left the firm in November, 1924.

Replying to Mr. Alabaster witness said he was employed by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company but he was not the defendant's private secretary. He introduced the defendant to the plaintiff and acted between them. The defendant agreed to pay three per cent. on the work mentioned in his Chinese letter.

Witness was questioned by Mr. Alabaster with regard to the progress of the work.

He continued that in October, 1924, only drawings of elevations and floors were being presented but he did not say anything to the defendant about that as he was under the impression that the draughtsman had been preparing detailed sketch plans. The plaintiff did not ask witness to ask the defendant to go to the plaintiff's office. At that time he told the defendant that a more detailed sketch was being prepared.

When the demand for the money claimed was made, the defendant said he would pay only \$500 as he had not ordered so much.

Witness did not remember a meeting between the defendant and the plaintiff in 1925. Mr. Alabaster suggested that witness acted at that meeting as an interpreter but witness replied in the negative. The defendant did not go to the plaintiff's office; neither did he write a letter.

Mr. Alabaster: I put it to you that you know such a meeting did take place and that you did act as interpreter and that when you say you did not you are saying something which you know is deliberately untrue? No; there was no meeting.

After final submissions of counsel, His Lordship reserved judgment.

The Ashburnham Steamship and Coal Company's vessel "Penguin" (825 tons) put into Southampton Water to report that the master, Captain James Harding, aged 61, of 24, Kensington Avenue, Canton, Cardiff, had been found dead in his cabin, shot through the mouth, and with a revolver in his hand.

PRAPS-PRAPSNOT!

Seeing his friend Jones running down the street, Smith asked the reason, and was told he was going for the doctor. Asked the trouble, Jones said he did not like the look of his wife.

"Oh!" replied Smith, "I'll come with you. I hate the very sight of mine."

From the hall where the salesmen's convention was being held came roar after roar of applause. "What's all the noise about?" asked a policeman of a man who had just stepped out.

"They've been making speeches," replied the latter, "and somebody just introduced the man who sold Mussolini a book on how to acquire self-confidence."

"In my younger days," the old actor said, "I travelled from one end of the country to the other."

"Well, well," the young actor replied, "just think of that. And there were no rubber heels in those days, either."

She—Which do you think are the most interesting years of a woman's life?

He—The first two or three years that she is twenty-one.

Solicitor at Bow County Court: Were you alone on this occasion?

Man: No, I had a bottle of beer.

Men at the Thames Court: I like work. Cairns (magistrate): I wish I was like you; I don't like work.

Motorist at Kingston: The policeman was hidden behind a lamp post, so I could not see him.

Complained a member of Parliament to a well-known British peer—"I've got a terrible headache. What would you prescribe?"

"A couple of aspirates," was the prompt answer.

Surrounded by members of the Corporation, the Mayor, in his robes and chain office, stepped forward to open the new golf course. He took a mighty swipe with a niblick, which he buried in the earth a foot behind the ball, smashing the club-head.

Then, in solemn tones, he said:—"Gentlemen, I declare these links well and truly opened."

Customer: "Can you give me something to stop the development of a cold?"

Chemist: "Certainly; I can recommend dia as ad udfalling re-eddy."

Two old ladies were attending Church service when one noticed that the other always bowed at the name of Satan. At the end of the service she said: "What-ever made you bow at the name of Satan?"

"Well," answered the other, "civility is cheap enough, and— you never know."

It was the beginning of the new term at school. One boy told the teacher his new address. After entering it in her book, the teacher said:—"Now, are there any other boys or girls who have changed their addresses?"

Little Willie Hardup's hand went up.

"Please, teacher, I heard mother say we'd be in 'Queer Street's' next week, but I don't know the number yet."

The steamer was just leaving the pier when a man rushed up and shouted—"Hold on a minute, captain; there's a party of fifty coming aboard."

The steamer backed in again, and the man walked on board and sat down.

After five minutes the captain went across to him and asked if the party would be much longer.

"What party?" asked the man.

"The party of fifty you spoke about."

"Oh, I'm the party! I'm fifty to-day."

"Are there any slick crooks in this city?"

"Slick! Why, one night at a dance they stole my trousers and hung weights on my suspenders so I shouldn't miss them until they had gone."

Two men were seated in a street car. One, noticing that the other had his eyes closed, said: "Bill, ain't yer well?"

"I'm all right, but I do hate to see ladies standin'."

Former Flapper (now a mother): "Two tried gin, Scotch, brandy, benedictine, and champagne on him, doctor, and still he won't go to sleep!"

Maid: Bob wants me to wear a grass skirt to the masked ball.

Hazel: What are you going to do about it?

Maid: Oh, I'll wiggle out of it.

HAYNES DISCHARGED.

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Continuing his evidence, the witness said that the man Shin was supposed to act as agent for Chung Kuen who was claiming against the witness.

The witness refused to pay the money as suggested by Houghton on the ground that the Supreme Court had given instruction that he (witness) be allowed to audit the accounts.

Witness added that Houghton said further that if he refused to pay he was liable to criminal proceedings, and he (Houghton) could have the witness arrested as a criminal.

English Into Chinese.

At this stage Mr. Lindsell said that as the conversation was interpreted to the witness from English into Chinese, he did not see that he could take the witness's statement of what took place as fact.

Mr. Blake said that he had another witness who knew English, and he would give evidence as to what Houghton actually said, and suggested that the witness stand over while the other man gave his evidence. Mr. Lindsell said that the witness with regard to the English conversation should have been called first, but on the assumption that this witness would be called by Mr. Blake, he could allow the present witness to proceed with his evidence.

A Second Call.

In reply to Mr. Blake, the witness said that that ended the interview for that day. On the following day the witness again called at the defendants' office in the afternoon accompanied by a man named Lau On. Mr. Blake pointed out that Lau On did not speak English, and therefore corroboration of what was said at the second interview was not so strong.

Proceeding, the witness said that on the second visit he saw both the defendants together with a Chinese, Shin again acted as interpreter.

Mr. Lindsell said that in the absence of evidence as to what was said in English he would not take evidence of the conversation which took place on this occasion.

Door Locked.

Asked by Mr. Blake as to what Haynes did on this occasion, the witness said that he (Haynes) handed a key to Shin who locked the office door with it. Haynes then took hold of a thick white book and pointed to certain passages in a page which he opened. When the key was turned in the lock, those actually present in the room were the two defendants, Shin, a Chinese clerk, the witness and Lau On.

After the door had been locked for 10 or 15 minutes, Lau On got it opened and went out. The witness told Lau On to engage a solicitor for him, handing him a card with certain instructions. Later Lau On came back with a solicitor's clerk and then the witness was released.

Haynes Discharged. At this stage Mr. Blake said that in view of the fact that there was no English corroboration of the Chinese interpretation of the conversation, he would ask for leave to withdraw the charge against Haynes.

Replying to the Magistrate, Counsel said that the only man who could depose as to what was said in English by Haynes was Shin and this man could not now be found, he having already left his former employers, and no one knew his address.

Haynes was accordingly discharged. Haynes asked to be allowed to make an application, and on leave being granted, asked Mr. Lindsell if it would be possible at some future date to obtain a copy of the depositions in the present case. He explained that the present witness had a claim against him in the Summary Court for alleged wrongful imprisonment and the notes which his Worship had were of considerable importance to him.

Mr. Lindsell said that if Haynes made an application in writing he would consider it.

Case Against Houghton.

The case against Houghton was then proceeded with.

Houghton, who was prompted by Haynes in his cross-examination of this witness, asked at what time he saw him at the office on the second occasion, and the witness said that it was about 2 p.m.

Houghton said that he was teaching at that time.

The Magistrate asked the witness if he was sure that he saw Houghton and the latter replied in the affirmative. He said that Houghton was there both on January 19 and 20.

Houghton suggested that at the interview on the 19th it was mentioned that the 20 per cent. would be paid by the other side, but this the witness denied and said that he was to pay the 20 per cent.

Mr. Lindsell said that it appeared to him far more likely that the person who was collecting the money would be required to pay percentage to the agency collecting the money for him.

The witness adhered to his statement that he was required to pay the 20 per cent., and Mr. Blake said that the amount asked from the witness was \$750 for the claim and 20 per cent. extra for their costs.

Replying to the Magistrate, the witness said that he understood that he was required to pay altogether \$900 in settlement.

Partnership Dispute.

Houghton produced the contract given to him by the collector and this showed that the amount

COLONY'S HEALTH.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE LAST WEEK.

4 CASES OF TYPHOID.

Last week's return of notifiable disease in the Colony, as notified to the Medical Officer of Health, comprised:—

Small-pox:—1 Chinese case from the city—1 death.

Diphtheria:—1 Chinese case from Kowloon.

Enteric fever (typhoid):—3 cases from city, 1 from Kowloon; total 4 (of which 3 were Chinese and 1 British)—1 death.

Cerebro-spinal fever:—1 Chinese case from the city—1 death.

Puerperal fever:—1 Chinese case from the city.

Influenza (which is not notifiable):—1 death during the week.

SANITARY BOARD.

Application for an offensive trade licence for the first floor of No. 62, Hau Wo Street, Kennedy Town, was refused by the Sanitary Board yesterday as upper floors are not considered fit for the purpose.

Those present were Mr. W. J. Carr (President), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy (Director of Public Works), the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), Dr. W. V. M. Keoh, Dr. S. W. Tse, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. G. W. Pope (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. J. Watson (Secretary).

"BODYGUARD'S" CLAIM.

Claim by Mr. E. Morris against Mr. Tang Saam-kan, a motorboat owner, for \$416 alleged to be due for salary for December and the first seven days of January, was settled by consent in Chambers yesterday. Plaintiff maintained that he had acted as bodyguard, interpreter at the pictures, and general assistant to defendant who "went about with large sums of money at night."

Chan Shui-cheng, the Chinese woman who was yesterday reported to have been removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from serious injuries received through falling from the first floor verandah of No. 204 Reclamation Street, Yau-mai, whilst hanging up clothes to dry, died from her injuries at the hospital early this morning.

claimed was \$725. This the witness denied and adhered to his statement that the claim was for \$750.

Mr. Blake explained that there had been a partnership dispute as to the accounts which has not been agreed upon.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that Houghton was entitled to put the question to test the witness's evidence, and Mr. Blake agreed.

His Worship also made reference to the "curious document" put in by Houghton, and handed it down for Mr. Blake to inspect.

Houghton asked the witness if he had received a letter on January 25, and the witness agreed. He said that he had handed it to his solicitor (Mr. Arculli).

Mr. Blake said that he did not see that letter and Houghton produced a copy of it and requested the Magistrate to read the last paragraph.

Another Witness. The next witness called was Chan Kwong-chi, a friend of the last witness. He said that the last witness showed him a letter which he interpreted to him, and then accompanied him to the offices of the South China Trade Protection Association. That was on January 19, the day after the letter in question was received.

They saw Houghton there and he turned up a book and then said in English that the last witness had better settle because if the matter went to the Supreme Court he would lose a lot of money. Houghton said "Better pay \$750 to our client and 20 per cent for expenses."

This the witness interpreted into Chinese to his friend (last witness).

Replying to Mr. Blake the witness said that there was interpreter there (Shin) but he only interpreted what was said occasionally.

Proceeding, the witness said that Houghton also said "If you don't pay, I can claim against you and deport you."

This statement was received with laughter by Haynes and Houghton.

Threat of Deportation. Mr. Blake said that he would like his Worship to allow the witness to make that statement in Chinese. It was very difficult, he said, for anyone to remember exactly what was said, but that last statement conveyed an impression to the witness which perhaps he could better express in Chinese.

The only word in the statement that Counsel queried was "claim." The threat contained in the letter was very similar except that another word conveying the same meaning was used. Counsel added that a threat of deportation was a serious matter and not one to laugh at.

Replying to the Magistrate, the witness said that the words he had given were not Houghton's exact words. He could not remember the words used by Houghton. The word "deport" was also not used by Houghton, but he used a word meaning the same thing.

The case was adjourned until this afternoon.

POLICE RESERVE.

ADJUTANT RESIGNS ON DEPARTURE.

ORDERS FOR THE CORPS.

Hong Kong Police Reserve Orders issued by the Hon. Mr. E. B. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police read as follows:—

Resignation of Adjutant.

Commander G. B. Hartford, D.S.P. (R.) resigns from the Police Reserve on his approaching departure from the Colony, the resignation to date Feb. 10, 1928.

Mr. L. H. C. Calthrop, Assistant Superintendent of Police, will take over the duties of Adjutant temporarily.

Chinese Company.

Parade: All members of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Wednesday, Feb. 8, for Company Drill under Sergt. R. J. Hunt. Fall in at 5.40 p.m. sharp. Dress: Blue uniform, cap without cover, no belt nor truncheon.

Training, Part II.

All Police Reservists who are eligible for Part II Training Course must attend the classes at the Police Training School held under Inspector H. J. Paterson every Tuesday and Thursday, commencing at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Revolver Practice.

Twenty members of the Chinese Company (to be detailed by O.C.) will attend at Kennedy Road Revolver Range on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 2.30 p.m., for revolver shooting under Inspector H. J. Paterson. Dress: Mutil.

Flying Squad.

Training, Part I: Those men detailed by O.C. are to attend the Central Police Station every Thursday at 5.15 p.m. sharp for instruction in Part I.

Patrol: The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section on Thursday, Feb. 9, will start from Central Police Station as usual at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Sharpshooters' Co.

Rifle Practice: Rifle practice will take place on the Peak Range on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 10 a.m. Members will assemble at the upper tram station at 9.45 a.m. Uniform optional.

Uniform: This is now ready and may be obtained at the O.C.'s office, New Fire Station Building, 4th floor.

(Sgd.) G. B. Hartford, D.S.P. (R.), Adjutant.

Hong Kong, Feb. 7, 1928.

CHINESE STUDENTS.

LOCAL UNION FOR RETURNED SCHOLARS.

The Euro-American Chinese Returned Students Union of Hong Kong was formally organised yesterday afternoon at a meeting of a large number of returned students at Lane, Crawford's Cafe. The preliminary meeting dealt with the proposed constitution of the Association, setting out its aims and proceeding with the election of the officers of the organisation for the first year of its existence.

In the Articles of Constitution and approved form, it is stated that the first among the Union is to secure the reunion of all Euro-American Chinese returned students at least once a year, the reunion taking the form of a dinner at which the annual election of officers shall take place.

The Union further has as its object, the encouragement of intellectual and athletic activities among the members.

The membership is open to all Chinese returned students who have studied in Europe and America, on payment of \$5 per annum as membership fee.

The following officers for the first year of the existence of the Union were then elected: President: Mr. K. L. Chow. Hon. Treasurer: Mak Cho-hang. Hon. Secretary: Y. H. Tsao. Committee: Wang Sang-yin, Hin Wong, Lo Yan-pak, and Professor C. Y. Wong.

FORMER RESIDENT.

A former well-known Hong Kong resident passed away on Sunday at his home in Sunninghill, Berkshire, in the person of Mr. Evan Ormiston, at one time Chairman of the Union Insurance Society of Canton and of the China Traders Insurance Company, also a former Chairman of the Hong Kong Club.

Mr. Ormiston, who was about 60 years of age, came to China first in 1891 as a member of the staff of the Mercantile Bank of India. He succeeded the Hon. Mr. J. Purves as manager in 1903 and held this position until 1911 when he joined the staff of Stewart Bros., bill and bullion brokers in Hong Kong.

Mr. Ormiston, who was a keen sportsman, had many friends in Hong Kong and the Far East with whom he kept in touch after his retirement some years ago.

Mr. Ormiston, in 1904 married Miss Honam, a sister-in-law of Commander Colin Mackenzie, R.N., and they had one daughter who was recently married.

The sympathy of their many friends will go out to the widow and daughter in their bereavement.

Mr. E. ORMISTON PASSES AWAY.

CHURCH REPAIRS.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. ANDREW'S.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Officers for the year were elected at the annual meeting yesterday of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at which reports on the past year were made.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers, Vicar, presided.

The statement of accounts was presented by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. C. Mitchell. This showed a decrease in receipts from offertories and donations, this being due to the loss in 1926 of a wealthy and generous member of the congregation. It had been found necessary to curtail donations to various societies which had previously been helped.

Owing to the departure of the Rev. G. R. and Mrs. Lindsay, travelling expenses during the year were high. Under the head of Hospitality was shown the amount actually expended in the entertainment of Service men, not to mention the voluntary work put in by many lady members and others.

Repairs to the Church fabric were now in progress and the cost of these, amounting to about \$600 had yet to be met. Expert opinion had also been obtained on the Church roof the tilting on which was in such a condition as to necessitate repairs in the near future.

Thanks were returned to Mr. Martin for his honorary work in auditing the accounts.

After the presentation of reports by the secretaries of various branches of work in connection with the Church, last year's officials were elected en bloc, Messrs. W. S. Bailey and P. Sands, also Capt. R. D. Thomas being appointed additional members of the Church Vestry.

"CHICAGO MAY."

UNDERWORLD QUEEN TO MARRY ENGLISHMAN.

New York.—A love match stranger than fiction is revealed by the announcement that "Chicago May" Churchill, world famous as "Queen of Chicago's Underworld" a generation ago, has become engaged to an Englishman named Lucas, who is at present writing crime stories here.

Lucas is 26, and his bride is said to be 50.

Both state they intend to devote their lives to the writing of popular crook stories.—International News.

"Chicago May's" tales of unlawful adventure should show an intimate knowledge of her subject. At the time when the underworlds of more than one continent gave her her pseudonym, she was the world's most successful woman practitioner of crime.

Her parents were Irish emigrants. She made her first public appearance harmlessly enough as a chorus girl in "The Belle of New York," after she had run away from a convent school in Nebraska.

She associated with some of the most notable criminals of Europe and America.

Friend of Eddie Guerin. In alliance with the notorious Eddie Guerin, her operations continued in the same large way of business until an especially impudent robbery led to their conviction and imprisonment.

The woman left prison before her confederate and came to London, where eventually Guerin joined her.

Mr. Smith, another criminal of "high attainments" and experience entered the life of "Chicago May."

One day Smith and "Chicago May" followed Guerin in a hansom cab to Russell-square, and at the woman's inspiration, Smith fired four revolver shots at the man who once escaped from Devil's Island.

PIRATE'S TREASURE.

AEROPLANES TO ASSIST IN SEARCH.

London, Jan. 7. A secret syndicate of European air-experts is completing plans for maintaining communications from Brazil with the searchers for a pirate's board of precious stones and gold, which lies buried in a small, rocky, uninhabited island off Trinidad, situated in the South Atlantic.

It is the lot from a Spanish vessel which the pirates hastily buried owing to pursuit by a warship by which they were eventually captured and hanged.

Many recent attempts to recover the treasure have failed because landladies have obscured the cache and the searchers were unable to remain long owing to the impossibility of landing on the surf-beaten rocks for many months at a time, involving the probability of their being marooned and foodless.

The aerial treasure seekers propose alighting from an airship or flying boat and making a prolonged search their stores being replenished by parachute.

CAT BURGLAR. London Jan. 11. The limit of impudence was reached by a cat burglar at Esher, who, while 80 guests were dining at a hotel and the maids were busy in the bedrooms, and lights were burning everywhere, within five minutes scaled a stackpile, to the second floor, entered a room, locked the door, ransacked a wardrobe, chest of drawers and a trunk, and decamped in a motor car with \$250 worth of jewellery.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day — Banvard Musical Comedy Company presents "Queen High," Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

To-day — Star Theatre: "The Eagle."

To-day — World Theatre: "Irresistible Lover."

To-day — Queen's Theatre: "The Gaucho."

February 9 — Musicals at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

February 9-11 — Star Theatre: "The Man Upstairs."

February 9-11 — World Theatre: "Blarney."

February 11 — Concert and dance, Elliot Hall, H.K. University, 8 p.m.

February 12-13 — Star Theatre: "Mantrap."

February 12-13 — World Theatre: "Barbara Frietchie."

February 12-14 — Queen's Theatre: "Two Arabian Knights."

February 14-15 — Star Theatre: "He Who Gets Slapped."

February 14-15 — World Theatre: "Fascinating Youth."

February 15-18 — Queen's Theatre: "The Magic Flame."

February 16-18 — Star Theatre: "The Gods."

February 16-18 — World Theatre: "Yolanda."

February 25 — Craigengower Cricket Club's annual Bachelors' Dance.

Sports.

February 12 — Monthly spoon shoot of No. 2 Platoon (H.K.V.D.C.) Rifle Club, Peak Range, 9.30 a.m.

February 13, 14, 15, 18 — Hong Kong Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

February 17 — Golf Match: Ladies' Bogey Competition at Fanling.

February 25 — First Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

Lammers' Auctions.

February 10 — At Sales Room, Duddell Street, a large and valuable collection of Curios, 2.30 p.m.

February 10 — At Sales Room, Duddell Street, a valuable collection of postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

Hughes & Hough's Auction.

March 1 — At Auction Room, Ice House Street, valuable leasehold property situated in Peak District, 3 p.m.

Meetings.

To-day — Annual Meeting of Navy League (Hong Kong Branch), in board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 5.30 p.m.

February 9 — Annual meeting of Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

February 9 — Thirty-ninth meeting of the H.K. Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

February 15 — Thirtieth annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

February 18 — Nineth Ordinary Meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Road Central, 3.30 p.m.

Lammers' Auctions.

February 21 — General Meeting of the Royal Artillery Association, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks.

February 25 — Ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hong Kong & Shanghai Corporation, at City Hall, noon.

Miscellaneous.

February 17 — Annual dinner of St. Peter's Young Men's Club at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.

February 23 — Annual Show of flowers and vegetables at Volunteer Headquarters.

March 1 — Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.

MR. EDWARD WALKER.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death on December 25, at Mompakad, of Edward Walker, at the age of 55, after 32 years residence in Marudu Bay. Mr. Walker was educated at Shrewsbury and came to North Borneo in 1895, after two years tea planting in Ceylon. On arrival here he took up land for coconut cultivation and whilst waiting for his estate to reach maturity obtained employment variously with the Exploration Company, the North Borneo Trading Company and the Mompakad Cutch Works. As one of the oldest residents in the country and a good friend his death is a great loss and we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his relatives in their sad bereavement. —"B. N. B. Herald."

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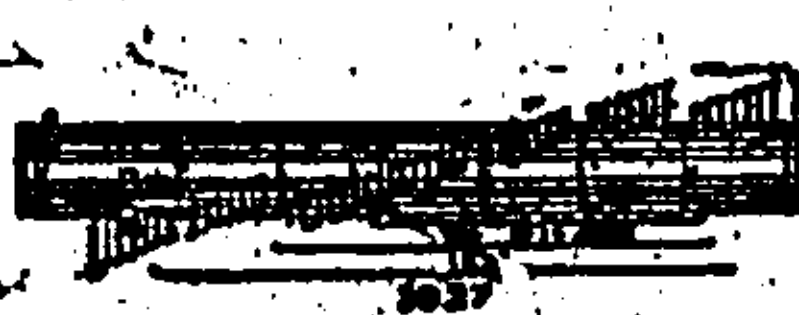
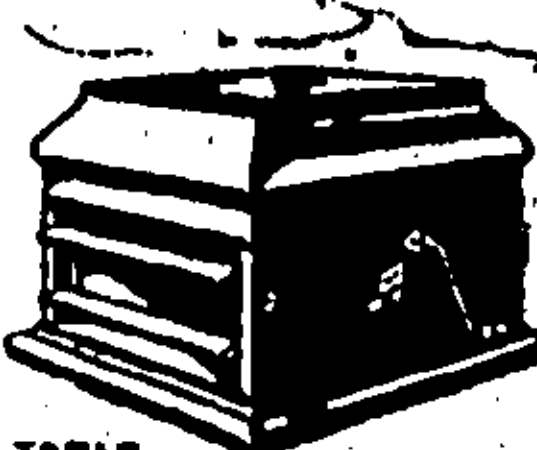
DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on Saturday, 25th February, 1928 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Station.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sixty more Portsmouth Dockyard
men have received discharge notices,
bringing the total for the year up to
1,000.

Mr. A. B. Southard, American
Consul-General, Singapore, has left
to take up his new post of American
Minister to Abyssinia.

A number of distinguished Japanese
arrived from Hong Kong on the
N.Y.K. "Kashima Maru" yesterday
for Japan via Shanghai, including
His Excellency Count Y. Xanigisawa,
Lt. Comdr. Nakamura, Comdr. Ito,
Capt. N. Ito and Lt. Col. Y.
Isogaya.



Miguel Avila, who testified be-
fore the special Senate Committee
investigating the alleged Mexican
slush fund and alleged giving
money to United States Senators,
that he had taken documents from
the President's palace in Mexico
and from the archives of the govern-
ment which he sold to the
Hearst organization which they
later published. Mr. Avila also
testified that he had also taken
documents from the office of the
counsel general in New York,
which he sold to Hearst, also that
he took United States Government
documents to Mexico, acting as
messenger for Arturo M. Elias,
Mexican consul general in New
York.

The Colony had a clean sheet in
the health return for Monday. On
Tuesday there was a Chinese case of
diphtheria from the city, a case of
enteric fever (typhoid) from the city
and another from Kowloon. One of
the typhoid patients is British and
the other is Chinese.

Mr. M. Manuk, secretary of the
Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage
Co., Ltd., returned to the Colony
yesterday by the "Changste" from
Australia. Other passengers in-
cluded Mr. H. J. Timperley, Mr.
and Mrs. J. S. Chisholm, Dr. R. H.
Marten, Mr. J. H. Peterson, Mr.
E. Ellis.

Forthcoming weddings announced
include that of Mr. A. Diefenbacher,
missionary, Taipei Road, Kowloon
Tong, to Miss A. M. R. Fausser, en
route to Hong Kong by the a.s.
"Coblentz". Mr. E. W. Fischle,
missionary, Taipei Road, Kowloon
Tong, to Miss G. A. Sarbersehlway,
also coming by the "Coblentz."

Mr. E. D. Bush left Hong Kong
this morning on the "President
Madison" which sailed for Shanghai,
Japan and Seattle. Other Hong
Kong passengers are referred to on
page 4. Among the through pas-
sengers from Manila were Sir D. M.
B. Hall and Lady Ira Hall for
Shanghai, Deaconess Kite S. Shaw
for Kobe, and Comdr. J. J. Webb
for Seattle.

Mr. W. Schofield in his capacity
as Coroner and a jury held an in-
quiry at the Kowloon Magistrate's
yesterday into the circumstances
attending the deaths of three Chi-
nese women who were killed as the
result of the collapse of a part of
the wall surrounding the M.B.K.
coal yard at Yau-mai. The three
women were buried under the brick
work and a large lot of coal which
fell into the street as the result of
the collapse. After medical evi-
dence was heard, the inquiry was
adjourned for the Coroner and jury
to visit the scene of the collapse.

Further evidence was taken by
Major C. Wilson at the Central
Magistrate's yesterday afternoon in
the case in which a Chinese seaman
named Ho Tin is charged with at-
tempting to obtain \$4,000 from each
of two Chinese women on the pre-
text that he had been authorised by
the women's male relatives who
were arrested by the Chinese au-
thorities in Shanghai as suspected
communists, to raise the money to
pay for their release. The case was
finally adjourned until Saturday
morning when Sergeant Donovan re-
ported that an important witness
was indisposed and unable to attend
Court.

The Siamese Consul-General,
Singapore, H. B. Phya Prudbaddha
Rhubal, has left for Bangkok.

The Shanghai Amateur Dramatic
Society is to produce "Veronique"
at the Lyceum Theatre on Feb. 14
to 18.

Captain Lindsay Venn, A.D.C.
to H.H. the Sultan of Perak, ar-
rived in Singapore from Kuala
Kangsar by train to attend the Polo
Club Gymkhana.

Seventeen persons are under-
going their trial at Putna on a charge
of abetment in the case in which a
Brahmin woman committed suicide
at Barh in Patna District.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Pitter, of
Sungei Siput, are leaving for a
round tour of Australia, New
Zealand, South Africa and Europe.
They expect to return in October
or November.

Mr. F. A. Rondall, formerly
Assistant Superintendent of Re-
venue Surveys, Malacca, succeeds
Mr. J. H. Spowers at Kuala Kan-
sar when the latter goes on transfer to
Johore Bahru.

Mr. J. Sinclair, Manager of the
George Town Dispensary, Ipoh, is
leaving for home on furlough very
shortly, accompanied by Mrs.
Sinclair. Mr. Proctor, from Pen-
ang, has gone to take Mr. Sinclair's
place.

At the examination for honours
of candidates for admission on the
Roll of Solicitors of the Supreme
Court of England among those re-
commended by the Examination
Committee as being entitled to
honorary distinction were two
women.

The Hon. Mr. J. Sinclair, Gen-
eral Manager, F.M.S. Railways,
Mr. J. P. Swettenham, Director of
Public Works, and the Hon. Mr.
E. W. F. Gilman, Controller of
Labour, arrived in Singapore from
Kuala Lumpur by train to attend a
meeting of the Indian Immigration
Committee.

The Admiralty announce in Fleet
Orders that the regulations for the
wearing of medals and medal rib-
bons have been amended. Medals
are to be worn whenever No. 1 dress
is worn, and with No. 6 dress at
inspections, musters, ceremonial
occasions, and on Sundays in hur-
bour. Ribbons may be worn on
other occasions.



Governor Frank G. Emerson of
Wyoming, who called on President
Coolidge at the White House and
informed him that the coal strike
situation in Wyoming was in good
shape and that no trouble was ex-
pected from striking miners.

Among the passengers who were
on the "Kashima Maru" when she
left Hong Kong yesterday for
Shanghai and Japan ports were Mr.
B. Wilkinson, Miss Frances Burn-
ham, Mr. C. C. Whitehead, Mr. J.
M. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.
Stephens, Mrs. W. N. Hartshorn,
the Rev. B. Faust, Mr. Figueroa,
Mr. and Mrs. W. Paul, Mr. and Mrs.
R. H. Matthews.

Five Chinese were arrested by the
Singapore police at Bedok on
suspicion of having landed in the
Colony without permission. They
were subsequently produced in the
Magistrate's Court, and fined \$100 each,
or 42 days' rigorous imprisonment.
The Master Attendant (Capt. G.
Froyberg, R.N.) also ordered their
repatriation to China. It is sup-
posed that the men landed from a
Chinese junk.

At the Central Magistrate's
yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E.
Lindell heard further evidence in
the case in which four Chinese are
charged with having been concerned
in a piracy on board a local trad-
ing junk when cargo worth \$2,240
was stolen. The pirates were in-
tercepted by the Shaukiwan police
at Putnam when they returned
to the junk for more loot, and in the
chase which followed one of the
pirates was shot dead and the others
arrested. Evidence taken yester-
day corroborated that given pre-
viously, and eventually the hearing
was again adjourned until to-
morrow morning.

Clothing worth \$76 has been re-
ported stolen from No. 35, Gough
Street some time between 2 and 5
p.m., yesterday.

Chevalier Henri Perria, Admin-
istrateur de la Société Française des
Mines d'Etain de Tokkah, has left
Singapore for France.

According to a Belgrade despatch,
Madame Bunow, who killed the
Yugoslav Counsellor, Prelitch
Skopje, committed suicide at the
moment of her arrest. Before
dying, she confessed to having been
ordered by the pro-Macedonian
Committee to kill important Yugo-
slav personages.



Dr. Charles F. Pabst, chief derma-
tologist of the Greenpoint Hospital,
Brooklyn, N. Y., who is in Wash-
ington to push legislation for the
creation of a Department of Public
Health with a secretary in the
President's cabinet. Through a de-
partment of this sort the various
public health bureaus of the vari-
ous government departments can be
brought together. It is understood
that President Coolidge favors such
a department.

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SPORTS

20 RUNS BEHIND.

FINAL TEST IN SOUTH AFRICA.

ENGLAND'S 2nd INNINGS.

With nine wickets in hand, England is still 20 runs behind in the second innings of the Fifth and last Test Match in South Africa, the third day of which was concluded at Durban yesterday.

The South African declared their last innings closed at 332 runs for 7 wickets, sending England in to bat again before the drawing of stumps. England made 30 runs for the loss of one wicket and continues batting to-day, the fourth day of the match.

R. H. Cattell made 119 runs for the home side.

There was no play on the first day on account of rain. On the second day England made 282 runs, the "tail" falling to wicket after a good start. Sutcliffe contributed 51, Tyldesley 100 and Hammond 66. Nuyten took 5 wickets for 33 runs. South Africa put up 6 runs without loss.

Yesterday's Play.

The weather remained bright. The wicket was faster. There was only a moderate attendance. Before lunch, the South Africans added 68 runs, for the loss of 2 wickets. Between lunch and tea, 3 more wickets fell but 156 runs had been added. After tea the home side put on another 102 runs, losing 2 wickets. The score was then 332 for 7—a lead of 56 runs—when South Africa declared the innings closed. England, as stated, made 30 for 1 wicket and is still 20 runs behind, with 9 wickets to fall.

THE DECIDING TEST OF 1902.

MAURICE TATE'S FATHER.

J. V. Saunders, the Australian cricketer, whose death at the age of 51 is announced in a Melbourne telegram, was a fast-medium, left-handed bowler who probably will go down to the posterity of cricket on the strength of a single ball. For it was Saunders who bowled Tate (the father of Maurice Tate, the present England and Sussex bowler) at Old Trafford in the Test match of 1902 when England, with their last batsmen in, needed only four runs for victory.

Everything depended on poor Tate; at the other end of the wicket stood Wilfred Rhodes, cool and brilliant. Could he only get at the Australian attack again, so the crowd said in its palpitating heart, the runs would be hit for certain, and the rubber won by England. But Australia saw to it that Rhodes never was given another chance; Tate was their prey.

Agony of Finish.

The finish of this Test match will never be forgotten by anybody who lived through the agony of its finish. Tate, last man in, saw Rhodes wait off three balls from Trumble. And then rain stopped play—yes, rain stopped play for forty minutes—and England on the doorstep of triumph; eight to win, one wicket to fall!

But though it rained, heavens hard there was always a bright spot not far away—a piece of subtle torture from the gods, for nobody was free to hope that the weather would wash the match out. It would clear up in a while; the tragedy had to be endured, and the crowd sat around the empty field, waiting but hardly daring to hope.

In the Block-Hole.

In the pavilion Tate possibly died a thousand deaths. All depended on him now. He was in his head, perhaps, actions went round like a wheel; "You've only to keep a straight bat in the block-hole," Tate might well have said to himself time after time. "Don't even move it an inch. I've heard tell that if you keep a bat quite still in the block-hole it's a thousand to one against any ball hitting the wicket."

At six minutes to five the Australians returned to the scene of action. Saunders bowled at Tate—a fast one. Tate saw something hit the earth, and he made a reflex action with his bat. Click! Tate looked round wildly. What had happened? A noise came to him over the wet grass, sounding like a distant sea. "The crowd was cheering," Tate had snickered a fourth stroke like that, by aid of luck, and Tate was safe for renown till the end of the game's history. Just one more snicker!

The ball was returned from the boundary; Darling slightly but impressively rearranged his field. Saunders stooped down to the saw-dust heap. Bloodless, calculating Australians! Tate got himself ready, bent over his bat once more. And the wheel began to go round in his head again faster and faster. "But straight—don't move—"

can't hit wicket—"

block-hole—"

don't move—"

Alas, Saunders' fourth ball was not only good enough for Tate's frail bat; it was good enough for the best bat in England. It was fast and—it shot! It broke Tate's wicket and no doubt Tate's heart and the heart of the crowd.

Saunders had a curious diagonal run to the wicket and swung his

RUGBY.

IS ALL HOOKING ILLEGAL?

MATHEMATICAL PROBLEM.

It is time we studied this game of Rugby football on a scientific basis. Have you your logarithm and azimuth tables, my dears? Very well, let us begin.

Seriously, I have had a letter which states a mathematical serumming problem, and it is worth considering, for it brings to light some curious facts about hooking. My correspondent, who is clearly a man of figures, had better speak for himself.

"Can hooking be done fairly," he asks, "under the present rules (Law 15 (b)? I think not. Assume the length of the serummage tunnel is 6 feet—it is usually less.

"Assume also that the ball passes through it at the average speed of a fast walk, i.e., 9 feet per second. This means it has been trundled in, and not slunk in, as it usually is."

Penalty Every Time?

"Under these favourable conditions, its total time of passage is two-thirds of a second, and not a leg can move for about the first third of this period!

"Now take the hookers (middle men). If on the loose-head side cannot start to move his foot till the ball is nearly opposite his nearer foot and passing him at 9 feet per second. He has about one-fifth of a second to put out his further leg and trap the ball.

"His opposite number has the advantage in time over him by about a tenth of a second. It seems obvious that only the two outer men on the far side have any chance of hooking it legitimately, and they would have to be pretty smart—and this is the case when the ball is trundled in.

"When thrown in sharply in the ordinary manner, I think, a referee could as a sound working rule, penalise safely either hooker who touched the ball in its passage through the serum. What then?

"I believe that the whole trouble (now that loose-head is abolished) about getting the ball into the serum is due to this 'foot-forward' rule. Both sides infringe the rule continually in order to get the ball. They delay the moment as late as possible to avoid penalties, and are, therefore, much too late to make a clean hook.

"Personally, I don't see much wrong with the ancient rule which allowed both sides to have their feet forward in readiness to hook. It at least ensured the ball being trapped in the serum, and hooked legitimately."

Now, that is interesting, particularly the point about hookers delaying the moment for hooking through fear of being penalised.

Spirit Not Letter of Law.

I quite agree that this must lessen the possibility of a clean heel, for it is true that, with a strict referee, a hooker can only stab at the ball with his foot.

A great deal, indeed, depends on the referee, but I think in practice most referees rightly abide by the spirit rather than the letter of this law.

They do not penalise the foot which comes forward too soon when it is legitimately hooking for the ball, but they jump on the man who deliberately puts his foot out and waits for the ball to come in. That is as it should be, and I think in effect that hooking has been better this season than last, and that there has been considerably less difficulty in getting the ball into the serum.

As for the suggestion that both sides should be allowed to have their feet forward before the ball comes in, perhaps some of my readers may be able to argue from experience about the merits of this ancient freedom. Personally I do not feel that there is yet a need for further changes in our serumming laws—H. P. Marshall in "Daily Mail."

LEVEL AGAIN.

NAVY AND ARMY IN SIM SHIELD.

Except for goal average, which hitherto did not count in the Sim Shield (league) hockey tournament of the Colony, the Royal Navy and the Army are again level, at the head of the table.

On the Naval ground yesterday, the Army defeated the Royal Air Force by four goals to nil. Lt. Burton scored before the interval, and then Capt. Howard got two, and Capt. Dobbie one.

The table stands at:—

P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.

Royal Navy 5 4 1 0 20 8 8

The Army 5 4 1 0 16 9 8

H.K. Club 4 1 3 0 7 16 2

Royal Air 4 0 4 0 4 16 0

Force 4 0 4 0 4 16 0

The senior service's remaining fixture is with the Club and the soldiers have to play their return match with the airmen.

arm over with rare freedom. On his best days he could make the ball break back viciously. But he was erratic, and his best days did not come as frequently as they ought to have done—to a really great bowler. Cricketer in the "Manchester Guardian."

BOOKMAKERS.

HAPHAZARD ISSUE OF CERTIFICATES.

VOID RACES.

"One of the chief reasons for the increasing number of bookmakers," said a responsible official of one of the leading London sporting clubs to a reporter, "is the haphazard way in which the Customs and Excise authorities issue certificates."

"The possession of a Government certificate seems to be regarded by people who have not gone deeply into matters as a guarantee of the bona fides of a bookmaker. It is nothing of the kind. It is possible for a man fresh from a long term of imprisonment to secure a certificate on payment of £10 and present himself as a bookmaker in Tottenham's ring the next day."

"Defaulters in the ring would become automatically excluded by the decree of Tottenham's Committee, but on areas outside the rings, like the hill at Epsom, they are able to operate with impunity."

"The 'welsker' of to-day is a very different person from the old-time 'welsker'. No longer does he run away, get caught and ducked, turned and feathered, or otherwise maltreated."

"The method of the modern 'welsker' is to declare himself unable to pay out, offer to return stakes, and, in exchange for the names and addresses of his clients, promise to remit by post their winnings."

Betting Problems.

"The possession of a government certificate gives the 'welsker' a tone of respectability entirely false, since it is clearly stated in the Act that the issue of a certificate to a bookmaker does not carry any government guarantee of the character or financial position of the bookmaker."

As betting on greyhound racing does not come under the rules of Tottenham's Committee—there are essential differences between the new sport and horse-racing in regard to void races—the executives at the White City and Wembley have set up committees to deal with betting problems. Mr. James Suters, secretary of the Victoria Club, is a member of the committee concerned with Wembley.

This committee has not attempted to allot pitches. Such a procedure would be illegal, but there is an unwritten law among bookmakers that, while there is no specific place, they will not trespass upon each other's ground.

The Wembley committee propose protecting the public against 'welskers' by the issue of badges to bookmakers distinctive from the B.P.A. (Bookmakers' Protection Association) badges in being slightly bigger and bearing the name of the bookmaker and a reference number.

By this means backers will be able to bring any complaint they have to make direct to the committee.

CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Last week's match in the Colony's chess championship (promoted by the Kowloon Chess Club) between B. C. Randall and J. C. Faers has been re-played owing to the wrong colours being assigned. The former then won, but the latter is credited with a point, having won in the re-play.

Other results: Sir Henry Pollock beat S. G. Kumble and A. W. Hawker; S. L. Hussain beat C. E. Wong; C. Choa beat Kumble; Randall beat another; Kumble beat another.

AFTER THE ANNUAL RACES.

On the Saturday after the Jockey Club annual racing carnival, the first extra meeting of the season will be held. Entries close on Feb. 20 at noon. Entry forms are now available.

I. S. Smith has played in one more international game than G. P. S. Macpherson—fourteen to thirteen. Of the eight times they have helped to win on six occasions and twice have they been on the losing side.

IT PAYS!

NEWSPAPER COLUMNS FOR ADVERTISERS.

BIGGER TURNOVER.

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PORRIDGE.

STANDS SCOTLAND WHERE IT DID?

A CRITICISM.

Of course we know what Shakespeare meant by the question. It is one of the many proofs that he was not of an age, but for all time. The context in which the words occur is simple and moving. A Scottish gentleman, finding conditions at home insupportable, has taken up residence in England, and when he meets a comradely newly arrived from the North he naturally asks if Scotland is as bad as 'occurs' is simple and moving.

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It was just a little too much for them. They had character and intelligence, but they had little experience of the world at large and their standard of life was still comparatively low. Here we have the real tragedy of Scotland. It has never been able to bring its culture up to the level of its capacity. Hence a state of bewilderment, of which the chief manifestations are the perennial endeavor to be more English than the English, the new Scottish Nationalist movement, and Sir Harry Lauder. There is not much to choose between them.

Porridge and Puritanism.

It is this naive bewilderment that has led the Scots into all their well-known absurdities. They have been from time to time impressed by the ability of members of their race to get on in the world—not necessarily in Scotland, but in quite a lot of foreign parts. Being a modest but patriotic race, they have put it down, not to character, but to national institutions.

As compared with England, we (I speak as a Scot) are rather weak in institutions, but we do have Porridge and Puritanism. So Porridge and Puritanism, our worldly success has been religiously been imputed. We do not pause to think that Porridge has never given us anything but a high tuberculosis death-rate, and Puritanism has diligently co-operated with "Propriety" to close the love-liest country in Europe to the foreign holiday-maker.

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THE "CHEER 'O."

REMOVAL TO CITY HALL PLANNED.

LADY HELPERS THANKED.

The Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A. (Chatter Road Services entertainment depot) is to be removed to certain rooms at the City Hall which have been made available to the Y.M.C.A.

The Committee of Management is asking the Ladies' Committee to continue its service, as now rendered, until the removal to the new premises, after which the following arrangement is considered desirable:—

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BANGKOK POLICE.

PAPER PRESES FOR INQUIRY.

"NOTHING DONE."

On October 10, 1927, this newspaper, after gaining a victory over the Bangkok police, who sued the Siamese edition of the "Daily Mail" for libel because of the publication in both papers of startling irregularities in police work, asked for an impartial investigation.

This inquiry was sought for one reason, namely, that the time had come when self-respecting residents of Bangkok and responsible government officials could not continue to discountenance corruption, intimidation, high-handed methods, association and co-operation with dealers in prostitutes and other illegal operations as practiced by the police and revealed by this paper and its Siamese edition. The time had come when the police had to make some effort to clean house and regain their prestige, we reasoned.

Three months have passed and nothing has been done. The old round of intimidation, graft collecting and general tyrannical practices goes on, and law-breakers continue to thumb their noses at the standard bearers of "law and order."

Is it to go on forever? And if so why?

In the past month H. H. Prince Aditya has been assigned to look over police work. But do the police take him on important raids? Do they show him the gambling houses, brothels, opium dens which thrive because of police protection?

Of course not.

Therefore all observations made by His Highness lead to exactly nothing in any effort to bring efficiency to the police.

Wongkit, who connived with dealers in prostitutes and who was acquitted of instigating the murder of Nai Tongwah, is still a member of the police department, thanks to the absolute faith in him held by police Commissioner Phya Adhikarn.

If they get rid of Wongkit will the boys in the police suffer? Does Wongkit know too much? In trying Wongkit the Criminal Court could do nothing else but acquit because the police from the Commissioner down did all in their power to save him. Witnesses for the prosecution were afraid to talk because they feared reprisals from the police.

How long will officials be content with this state of affairs? How long will it take for the Ministry of Interior to act? How long, O Lord, how long?—"Bangkok Daily Mail."

MISSING DIRECTOR.

MESSAGE TO LONDON FIRM—THEN SILENCE.

A Budapest message, states the Exchange, reports the mysterious disappearance of an English business man, Mr. Richard Coates, a representative of a London shoe polish firm. He left Budapest on the Budapest express late in November, but failed to arrive in Budapest.

Mr. May, the secretary to the Nugget Polish Company, informed an "Evening Standard" representative that Mr. Coates was the company's European sales director resident in Brussels.

"So far as we are concerned," he said, "there is no mystery at all, but we are very anxious to get in touch with Mr. Coates, who is apparently seriously ill. We had a wire from him on December 30, which read, 'Relapse, fear pneumonia.'"

"This was sent from a place called Ercsi, about 25 miles from Budapest, and conveying an instruction to address Budapest in our reply. 'We sent a wire to our people at Budapest asking them to try and trace Mr. Coates, but we have had a reply that they do not know where he is.'"

"A further wire has been sent referring them to Ercsi, and we are now awaiting an answer. We wish to find Mr. Coates, and if he is ill give him all the assistance we can."

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.

Paris 124

New York 4.87 9/32

Brussels 84.99

Geneva 25.82

Amsterdam 12.00 1/2

Milan 92.10

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Vienna 84.57 1



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FASHIONS AND FANCIES

BLACK IS AGAIN POPULAR CHOICE.



Paris Forecasts Reveal Daytime and Evening Costumes in
Black. Other Shades Seen. A Longer Silhouette
Is Noted.

The fashion forecast is always
interesting. Inevitably there are
new lines, new colours, new
thoughts and new features, all
struggling to gain first position.

Colours are always important.
Often a distinctive new shade is
introduced that will do much to
make the season stand out as show-
ing something entirely different.
Then again it may be a completely
different silhouette that will mark
the mode—or it may be a differ-
ent length of skirt that will be
most important. This season sees
several points of interest stressed,
with no marked attention being
paid to them. A general change
in the silhouette is noted, but the
change has been made without
radical departure from past modes.

In colours black is seen holding
an important place in fall styles.
Black flat crepe is being shown
for models in the daytime, some-
times relieved by a touch of pink
or green. Black georgette appears
in many dinner costumes, while
black velvet is seen for both for-
mal and informal costumes. Vel-
vet appliques and crepe satins are
used for contrast and produce some
extremely interesting results.
Greys, too, are important and will
succeed in a measure the belges
of past seasons.

Sophisticated simplicity seems to
be the high light of the new mode.
The majority of frocks show con-
trasted effects with diagonal seam-
ings and bandings used from the
right shoulder to the left hip.
The skirts, too, show this diagonal
line from the left hip to the right
hem.

High waistlines and loose panels
in pleats and novel cuts seem to
be featured in other models. High
collars, too, are a new point of in-
terest. The flared silhouette and
uneven hem is marked in other
models. Belted frocks are seen
and the uneven hem is usually
longer at the back. Side drapery
will prove important in adding a
note of interest to many of the
fall costumes. Side point drapery
on either blouse or skirt is fre-
quently seen, lending a graceful
silhouette.

Billie Dove, who may always be
relied upon to appear in the very
newest of fashion's favourites, is
seen wearing a new costume that
boasts many of the new points.
It is of black, simply made, with
long sleeves and a slight flare at
the hemline. A grey fox scarf and

tiny toque with feathers help to
add to the effect of extreme chic.
Miss Dove is seen in the First Na-
tional picture, "The Stolen Bride."



Picture Hat made of silk
crinoline with georgette under-
brim trimmed with shot silk
faulle ribbon and Georgette
Rose, by Reslaw, London.



Dainty Hat made of Pedaline
straw trimmed with posy of
flowers, also by Reslaw, Lon-
don.

FEMININE WILES.

Women in the Business
World.

Actually, it is a foregone conclu-
sion. The girl with a flair for
dress will dress charmingly; the
girl who does not know how to
dress will dress dowdily. But even
foregone conclusions are discussed
at times, and it was only to be ex-
pected that the 6,000 women who

SPORTS MODELS.



The Sports Theme Manages to
Maintain a Place of First
Importance, Coats Accompany
Many Costumes.

Although there is a distinct ten-
dency to follow a decidedly femin-
ine line of softness and pleasing
fullness, there is by no means an
absence of sports feeling in the
Winter mode. In fact, the sports
theme is seen in a place of first im-
portance in many of the Paris
openings.

Naturally the clothes that are
worn while participating in active
sports must possess sports silhou-
ettes and comfort giving lines as
well as a chic that often goes with
this type of costume. However,
even in frocks that are not design-
ed primarily for sports, the sports
theme is noted.

The sweater costume which was
so important during Summer
months seems to have held over
its popularity into Winter weather.
The horizontal stripes that make
gay the sweaters are again ap-
pearing in jumpers of smart ap-
pearances. Cashmere skirts that
are pleated and possess belts and
ties of a contrasting colour form
chic parts of the sweater outfit.
The tuck-in blouse type prevails in
many instances and is worn with
jersey or dull silk skirts. A card-
igan jacket the same colour as the
skirt, but contrasted with the
blouse forms a smart sports ensem-
ble.

The sports costumes in general
possess a belted silhouette, with a
defined hip line and a waist line
placed moderately low. Many
sports frocks in two-piece composi-
tions with belted jumpers and
pleated skirts are being shown.

Sports jumpers in plain jerseys,
novelty woolsens and angora jer-
seys. All colours and colour com-
binations are used, with black being
particularly effective.

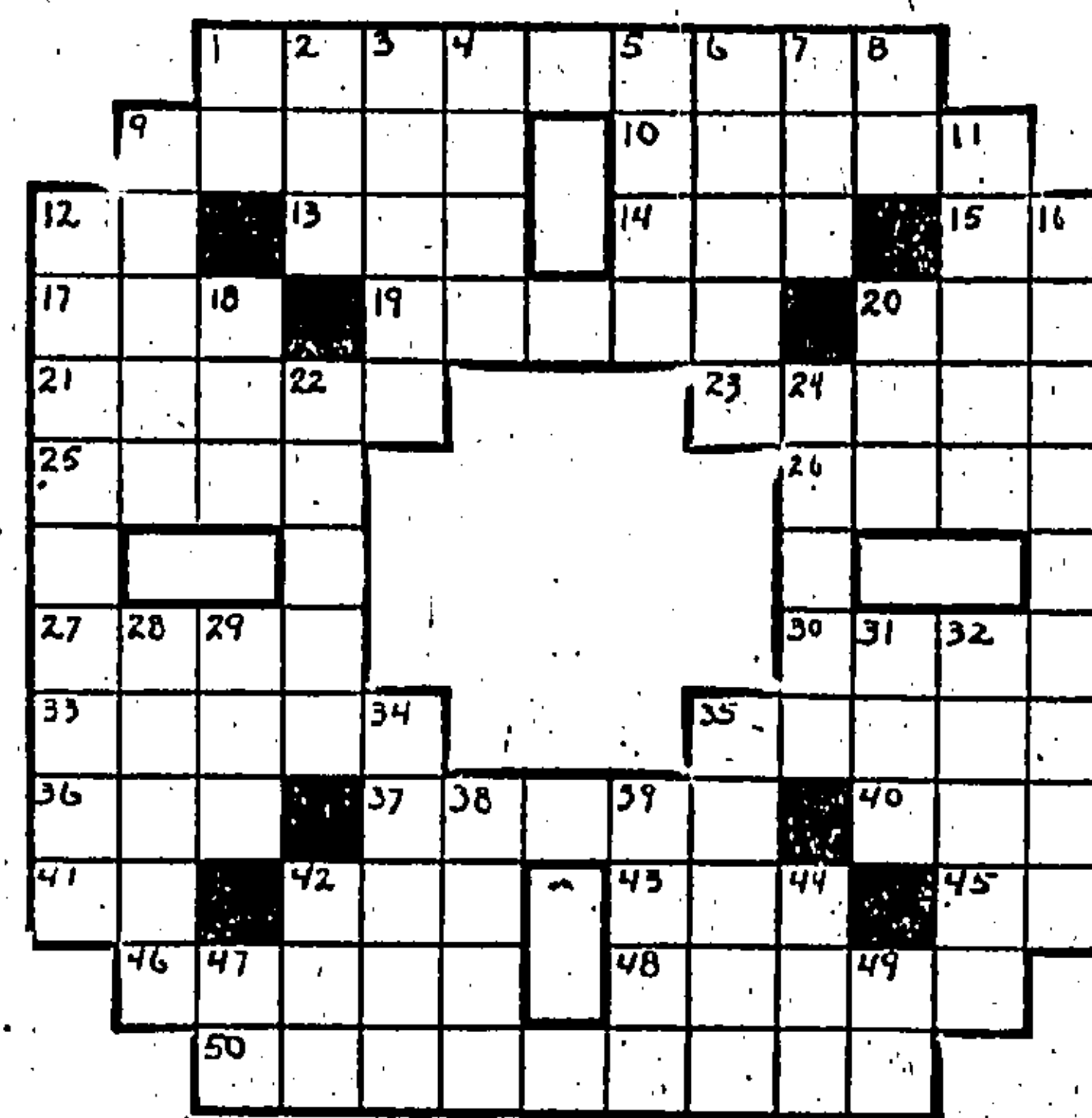
Mary Astor is seen wearing an
interesting sports costume in the
First National film "No Place to
Go." It possesses a grey silk skirt
and blouse boasting a Tuxedo
frunt. It is accompanied by a
sleeveless jersey sweater of car-
dinal shade. Cardinal binding is
used on collar and cuffs.

recently met in California, as re-
presentatives of the 45,000 mem-
bers of the Federated Business and
Professional Women's Clubs of
America, showed their interest in
the question whether women make
the clothes or whether clothes make
the woman.

Business women are out after
business, said one woman, and
therefore they have no right to
leave unturned one stone that
might show success beneath it.
Since success is largely a question
of personality, of "putting it over,"
woman has to consider every meth-
od of making their personality at-
tractive, and that is all there is to
it. She thought if a woman sets
herself out deliberately to make
herself look so sweetly appealing
that men will "fall for it," and do
business with her because they
like the feminine touch in business,

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-To bring before the mind
- 2-Domestic animal
- 10-A wind-instrument (pl.)
- 12-A degree (abbr.)
- 13-Exclamation expressing surprise
- 14-Depressed
- 15-Large body of water (abbr.)
- 17-Compass point (abbr.)
- 19-Protection for dress
- 20-A fish
- 21-Dry stalk
- 22-An English admiral
- 23-Travelling burglar
- 25-Discoverer of N. magnetic pole
- 27-A metal
- 30-Indolent
- 33-The great artery
- 35-A shade tree
- 36-In no manner
- 37-High winds

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 40-A gamin
- 41-Steamship (abbr.)
- 42-Powder-cavity of a flint-lock
- 43-To rush headlong
- 45-To complete
- 46-To draw along
- 48-Notions
- 50-Growing or attached to something

VERTICAL

- 1-One-fourth of an acre (abbr.)
- 2-An age
- 3-Exclamation of impotence
- 4-To cut and gather grain
- 5-Long for one
- 6-A hard black wood
- 7-At once
- 8-Topographical Engineer (abbr.)
- 9-Cerily of manner movement

VERTICAL (Cont.)

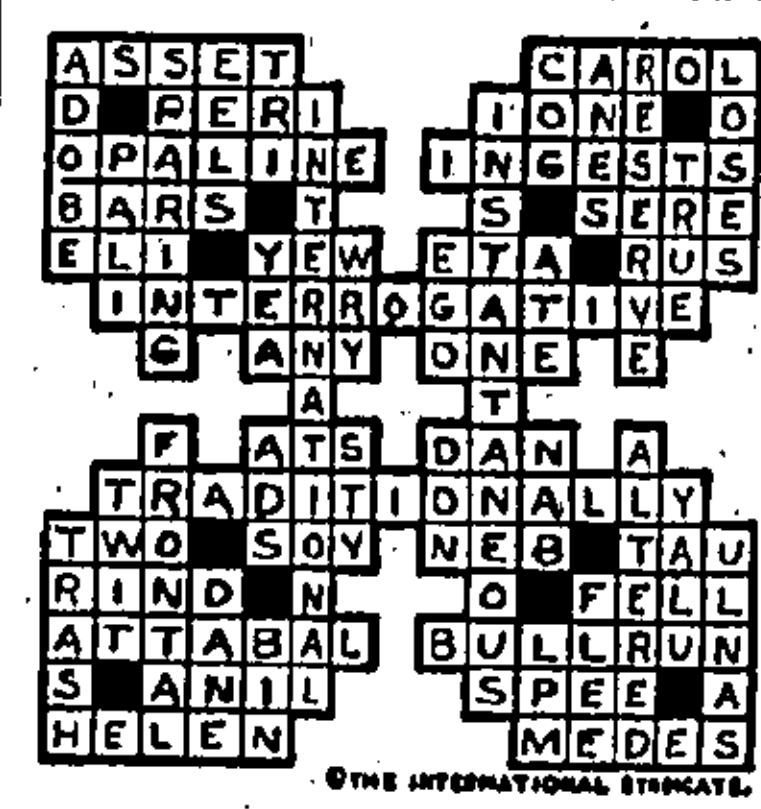
- 11-Saturates
- 12-Inhabitant of an ancient empire of S. W. Asia
- 14-Slowly increasing in loudness
- 18-Unit of work (abbr.)
- 22-Cause
- 24-A scented root
- 25-To perch upon
- 28-A worthier leaving
- 31-Department (abbr.)
- 32-Gulches
- 34-A fresh
- 35-Of
- 36-Old's name
- 38-Discoverer of Greenland
- 42-Tablet
- 44-Writing implement
- 47-Egyptian sun-god
- 49-Upon

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. There will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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Attracting Business.

If a bright georgette frock, with its bewitching shoulder flower in softest pastel tints, and a permanent wave, are going to attract more business than the severe blue coat and skirt and stiff shirt blouse, with its accompanying mannish hat and plain hair bob, she would be a bad business woman if she adhered slavishly to the first method women adopted in breaking through man's domain.

Another woman had no time for such nonsense. Business is business. She could not understand how any sensible woman would want to bring feminine wiles into the business world. If a man is sensible, he will do his business with women because they are the best to deal with, and he will not give a thought to whether a woman is pretty or not. What he wants is brains, not wiles, in business hours. If a woman can show that she is competent to do business, what more can a man want? If business men knew when they were best off, they would not give a thought to how their clerks look-

ed. They would recognize that young women were in their office for business purposes only, and they should not pay any attention to the way the girls dressed—unless, of course, they were untidy, which would give the office a name for slovenliness. An appeal for the feelings of the girls who loved beautiful things, and who might work better if they knew they looked charming meanwhile, who met by the sharp retort that business progressed best when it was entirely de-sexed—this latter being an ugly word much on the lips of leading militants among the feminists to-day. Leave sex and beauty out of the question, for these things must be entirely eliminated from modern business. That being so, she should not see any use in discussing the question any further.

PEPS

Stop The Worst
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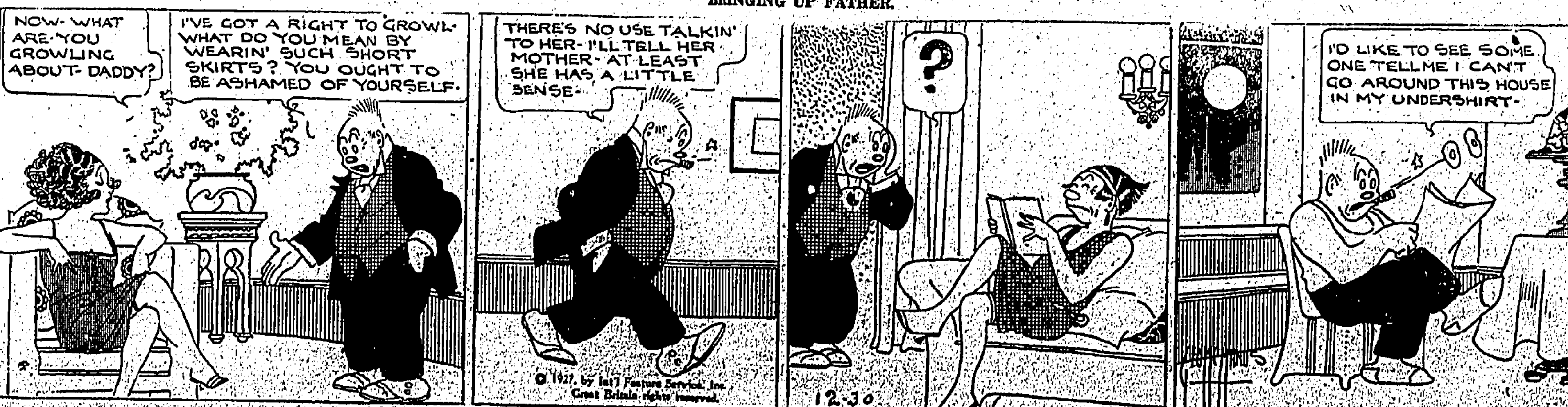
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KEBLE HOWARD'S TALES.

Mr. Keble Howard's humour, in its freshness, vitality, and friendliness, is strongly reminiscent of Dickens. "My Motley Life" (Fisher Unwin) is Mr. Keble Howard's story, and it is told with most engaging spontaneity.

"The first hero I ever met was my father," writes Mr. Keble Howard. His father was Vicar of Henley-in-Arden, and a preacher of distinction and a personality of unusual vigour and independence. In the village street there was a private asylum from which some of the inmates were at intervals wont to wander. "One day a male lunatic escaped and the wife of one of the keepers approached the Vicar pleading for his help. 'Certainly,' I'll find him for you. Don't you worry," said the Vicar.

"After waiting for some little time, he saw in the distance a dark figure that was certainly not an agricultural labourer. Thinking that this might be the lunatic, my father took off his hat, waved it vigorously, and shouted, 'Hi Hi!'"

"The figure turned and came towards him. The Vicar stood his ground. By this time he was certain that he had found the wanted man."

"Excuse me," said the lunatic, politely. "Can you tell me the way to Henley-in-Arden?"

"Certainly," replied my father. "I am going there myself. Will you give me the pleasure of your company?"

"Delighted," said the amiable creature. And they both retraced their steps. By this time the whole town was alive with the news. A cart and horse had been procured, manned with stalwarts and driven up the road towards Birmingham.

"This gallant party was in the act of fording the flood when, to their amazement, they saw my father and his strange companion looking at them over the hedge."

"Can you give us a lift?" cried my father—a question very often on his lips in those days, when the nearest railway station was four miles distant, and, I need hardly say, we had no vehicle of our own except a double perambulator.

"Jump in, sir," called the warriors. And thus the lunatic was restored to land captivity, and the keeper saved his position."

Grandfather Persists.

A piquant comment on the administration of the University of Oxford is contained in a story of a venerable

student who failed time and time again to overcome his lack of enthusiasm for arithmetic. "This aged gentleman had come to Oxford many years previously with the set intent of taking his degree. But he could not get through Smalls, and arithmetic (the whole) was the trouble. Time went on, and he rented a house, married, and settled down in Oxford. Three times a year he presented himself for examination in Smalls, and three times a year he was steadily ploughed in arithmetic."

Children were born to him—sons who grew up; entered the University, took their degrees without effort, went out into the world, married in their turn; and made the old gentleman a grandfather. Still he could not pass Smalls, although he had all the other subjects at his fingers' ends. The examiners became personal friends of the aged candidate. They used to dine at his house and invite him to their own houses.

"Can you imagine a grown man being so idiotic? Can you imagine a farce such as this being played in the greatest University in the world for a generation and more?"

"In Jubilee year—the 1897 Jubilee of Queen Victoria—they thought the farce had gone on long enough and let him through. The old gentleman immediately passed all his other examinations and took his degree. But he had been kept waiting for twenty-five years because he could not satisfy the examiners that he was conversant with all the rules of arithmetic."

Mr. Keble Howard, during his years as a student in Oxford, met the famous Dr. Spooner, the inventor of "Spoonerisms."

"Spoonerism" is usually associated with nervous people who, in their panic, transpose initial letters: for example, the curate who, christening the twins, referred to them as "Steak and Kidney." Here is Mr. Keble Howard's story of an authentic "Spoonerism":

"Oh, Dr. Spooner," said one of the ladies, "aren't you afraid your dear little kitten may fall and get killed?"

"Not a bit," replied the doctor. "In fact, she did fall the other day."

"Oh, Doctor!" cried all the horrified ladies. "Was she hurt?"

"Not in the least. Simply popped on her draws and ran across the quad."

Garefully Packed.

Mr. Pett Ridge is an old friend of Mr. Keble Howard's who quotes one of the former's excellent after-dinner stories.

"A little girl was walking down a street with her mother. They came to a portion of roadway which was covered with straw."

"Mummy," she said, "why is all that straw in the road?"

"Well," replied the mother, "the angels brought Mrs. Jones a little baby last night."

"It must have been very carefully packed."

Farewell to Khaki.

Perhaps the most humorous experience in Mr. Keble Howard's life was his valiant endeavour, a year after the War, to be demobilised from the Ministry of Information. He apparently escaped the attentions of authority, much as he strove to acquaint them with the circumstances of his dilemma. He reported here, there and everywhere, and at length arrived at the Hotel Cecil, where, in Room 817, he met a very important official in the net of telephoning to the Prime Minister or the Commander-in-Chief.

"What do you want?" he cursed in blood curdling tones.

"If you please, sir, I want to be demobilised."

"Oh, you do, do you? Stand on one side and mind the wire."

"In my anxiety to please, I missed the latter half of the sentence. I moved to one side, entangled my foot in something, and there followed the most sickening crash! I had failed to mind the wire, caught my foot in it, and wrenched the receiver clean out of the grasp of this extraordinarily martial fellow."

"I told you to mind the wire!" he yelled.

"My turn came at last, and my papers were savagely inspected. (No chair or smiles for the likes of me!)"

"Go down the passage and you'll come to a partition. Go behind it, and show them your papers. Then come back here."

"I went meekly down the passage and found the partition. Behind it sat three small boys—aged respectively, I should say, fourteen, thirteen, and twelve."

"The one aged fourteen indicated a chair in front of him and took up his pen."

"Demobbed?"

"Yes, please."

"Name?"

"Bell."

"Profession?"

"Author."

"He sat back and gazed back at me steadfastly. 'Are you,' he said at last 'the author of Bell's Latin Grammar?'"

"I am afraid not."

"All personal interest vanished. 'Claiming disabilities?' he shot out."

"I—er—I don't know. I might."

"If you do," he said, impressively, "it will take you six weeks longer to get demobbed. Disabilities?"

"No disabilities."

"He scribbled a few more lines and then handed me a form. 'Take that back to the room you came from, and in two minutes you'll be out of the Army.'"

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